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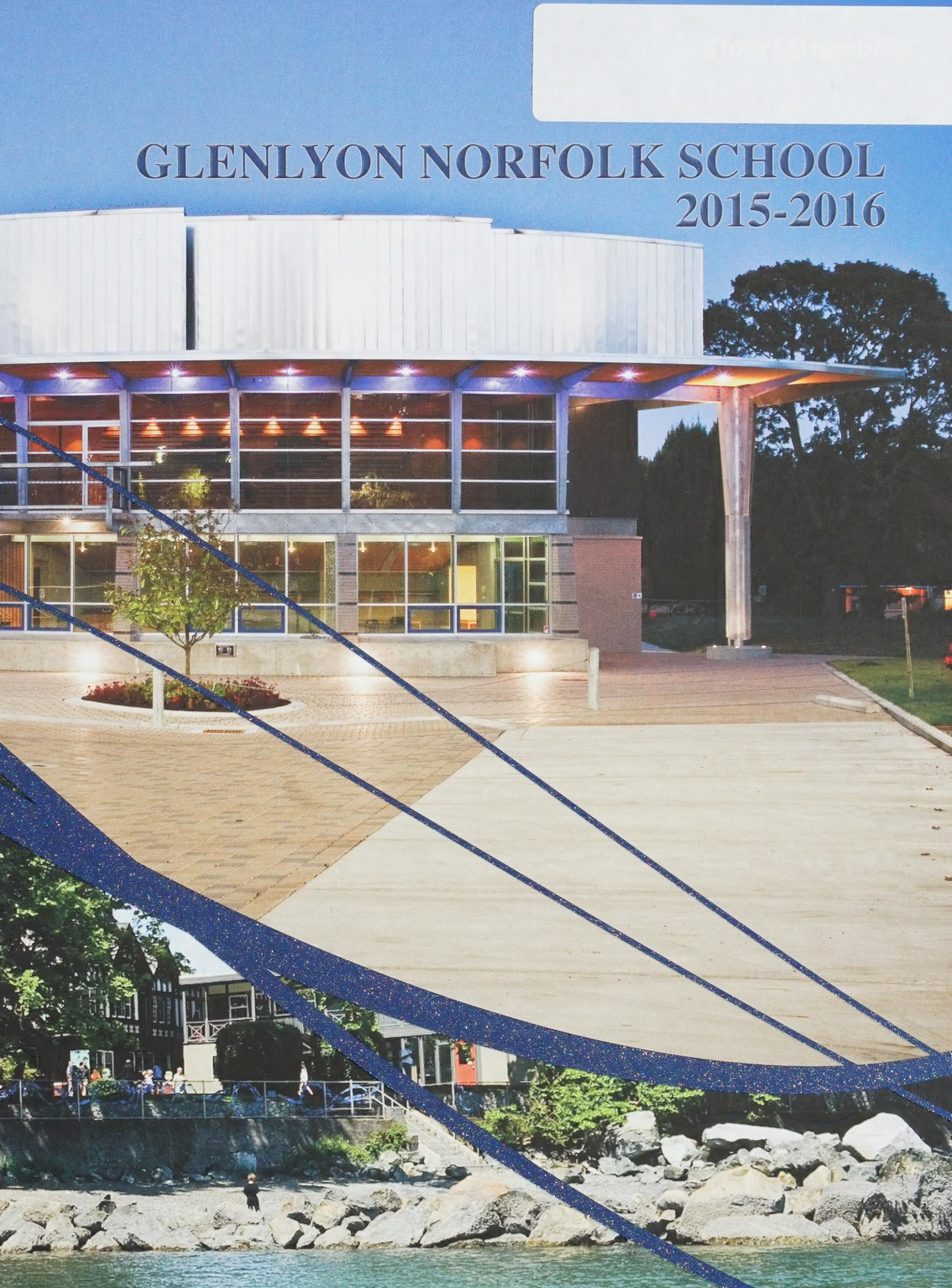
2015-2016



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As the GNS community we continue to shape the school combining and treasuring tradition and innovation. We also continue to recognize that there is no room for complacency.

GNS parents, you demonstrate this aptly through your many contributions to the learning of your children. You also support the work of the faculty and staff positively in multiple ways.

With regard to treasuring tradition and innovation and not being complacent, GNS teachers and staff regularly put forth strong, caring, compassionate, inspiring and expert efforts to deliver the best possible educational experience to each student in academics, arts, athletics and citizenship. Students across the grades regularly demonstrate their appreciation of this work with a high degree of engagement in inspired learning.

The GNS graduating class is a diverse group. They are known as confident individuals who exude joy, a strong sense of self and a high degree of care for each other. They have clearly shown that they will continue to 'be there' for each other throughout the rest of their lives.

Graduates, I have some thoughts for you to consider with regard to thriving in an ever-changing and uncertain world.

Simply put, continue to do what you do so well – that is be creative, be open, look for opportunities and consider the multitude of different options that may be possible in any situation. Embrace your choices with truth and courage.

There are individuals who believe there is one formula for success and happiness. These individuals are not interested in thinking for themselves; they just want the 'answer.' They want 3 easy steps to success laid out for them by an expert. Often they feel that simply imitating what some great individual has done before will lead to the achievement of their goals.

Because of how you have embraced the powerful educational experience offered you at GNS, I am confident that you already understand that in a world of change the adherence to one static approach to any opportunity is unlikely to be 'the answer.'

I encourage you to continue to be curious, analytical, caring and thoughtful as a GNS Graduate. Your parents, your teachers, the staff and I have seen that you have the courage to stand in stark contrast to people who follow do not see the difference between the right solution and a popular solution. You have continually participated with great enthusiasm and put forth a high degree of effort in your educational experience –

All of the aforementioned will allow you to separate yourself from the crowd and invent or create the best alternatives for each opportunity you encounter. In contrast to those holding on to one solution, you are equipped to embrace option A, B or X depending on your circumstances.

Use all of the components you have learned at GNS to continue to create your own path,.... A path that matters to you.

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Mr. Glenn Zederayko
Head of School

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The world we live in requires our students to be prepared to think both critically and creatively, evaluate massive amounts of information, solve complex problems, and communicate well. A strong foundation in reading, writing, math, together with a strong programme of inquiry makes GNS the amazing and enriched environment it is. Our students are involved in a broad range of activities and they are happy, engaged and making the most of the many opportunities offered. Our parents are integral partners in the success of the Junior School. You help on field trips, listen to children read, volunteer for the lunch programme and lend your expertise in chess club, you come to Jimmy Chicken Island, help with the French Café, the Grade 5 Exhibition and many other ways as well.

Every day, I think about how lucky I am to work with our wonderful group of faculty and support staff! Our teachers spend endless hours preparing for each day of instruction, marking, organizing, assessing, taking on the various co-curricular activities, communicating with you, planning the Units of Inquiry and personalizing the experience for every child. They do this because they love your children and they know that they really do make a difference and are preparing our future leaders, for the world ahead. I am incredibly grateful for every single one of them, every day! Our support staff from the custodians, maintenance crew, to the office staff help the school to run efficiently and well, and without their help cheerful help we could not open every morning! Thank you!

We have had an amazing year and this yearbook is a great compilation of the many wonderful memories from the year. Enjoy!

Mrs. Jean Bigelow
Principal
Junior School

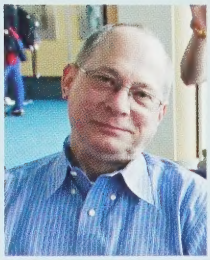
This year, I am delighted to be presenting each student with a 'flying disc' (I cannot call it a 'Frisbee' without copyright infringement, so I won't). On one level these are a reminder to us all of the need to take action, and to stay fit and healthy, and to play well together. Why a 'flying disc' you might ask? Firstly, in playing with the disc, and especially when playing 'Ultimate' it gives you a voice: Ultimate is a self-refereed sport, so it's a must for players to have a prominent voice during the game. It's also critical that players make rational and fair calls with their opponents. It also gives everyone a sense of presence: Ultimate requires jumping, running, diving, and throwing a disc so players have to be agile and quick on their feet. You have to be strong and focused throughout the game. Of course it develops hand/eye coordination and levels of fitness and agility, whilst also helping to increase a sense of positivity and boosting mood and wellness. And finally, a sense of identity and worth: Ultimate requires teamwork and togetherness. If the team loses, they support each other and if the team wins they celebrate together.

These are just the sorts of values we foster, celebrate and share with each other in the continual team that is the Middle School within GNS.

Every year too, I share a challenge with everyone here. Take the flying disc with you wherever you go this summer, no matter how near or far, and use it to so just what I have said above with your buddies, your families, your dog, or whoever. And when you do this, take a photo of it and share it with me. I am hoping to collect a ton of different photos reminding us all about the team we play in each and every day.

Mr. Jake Burnett
Principal
Middle School

Mr. Harvey Thorau &
Ms. Sarah McKerlich
Interim Principals
Mr. Richard Calderwood
Retiring Principal
Senior School



We would like the Head Boy and Head Girl to speak for us this year. Their speech at Closing encapsulated the experience of our first graduating class of students who experienced the full IB PYP, the MYP and the DP. This is a shortened version of their speech.

When cleaning out my room last week I found a clay blob that resembled a cross between a hot dog, a soccer ball, and a lobster. My mom was able to decipher primitive markings that dated it back to my earliest years at Glenlyon Norfolk.

Artifacts like our first art projects are evidence of our early lives at GNS, and proof that we have endured a long evolutionary process to become the young men and women sitting in front of you today. An evolution comparable to that which transformed apes into modern day humans. We begin our journey 13 years ago, on the sandy shores across from Mary Todd Island. Here, in a structure known as the Boat House, we find a thriving species of early human. Despite evolutionary advances, the ability to share between members of the species appears to be a work in progress. They are hunters and gatherers, intrigued by the treasures of 1701 Beach Drive. The sandy shores played a major part in their growth; here they learned how deep is too deep for rubber boots. We grew up waiting for the lunch buzzer to sound so we could squeeze our feet into our size 2 rubber boots, and do what kids do best, get very messy.

Gradually, these early humans became slightly larger and more energetic. Although we more closely resembled wild animals than civilized humans, we coexisted peacefully through the steady hand of our shepherd, aptly named, Mrs. Wild. We would spend the next two years mastering the crafts of tin foil castle building, complex counting mechanisms sometimes referred to as the times tables, and the important skills of raising our own food. As de facto salmon farmers, we raised fry and marvelled at how life goes on, even if we aren't there to see it.

Through these years we learned that the pain of a scraped knee is inversely proportional to the fun you were having when you fell, we learned that leaving a wet sock on all day makes your feet very, very cold. We learned that you are never too young to foster an appreciation for the environment, where we live, and most importantly, who we are. We learned that it's worth it to stop a French lesson to watch an eagle consume its lunch on a branch outside the window, and that stickers, yes, stickers, can either forge or scorch a friendship.

Slowly we evolved, along with a slightly larger brain came the ability to formulate ideas and develop language. Our class became the kings and queens of the climber - the big kids of the beach. Now we got to watch Mr Kiddel's Friday Morning Live from benches in the back of the gym. I will fondly remember the various forts and trading posts set up along the shore - to passers by, it may have looked like a small settlement was developing on the GNS property.

Our journey now takes us inland, where we find a more developed early human; Homo erectus. Evolution has caused an increase of height, and this species is the first recorded instance of early humans hunting in groups. The Pemberton woods campus provided endless opportunities for us to discover the concept of teamwork. Many of us had our first experiences in team sport, and here we learned to wear our gryphon logo's with true pride. We have all had a hand in defending our school on the sports field or uplifting our reputation in the arts.

The new campus also posed new challenges. Middle school was a period of change for all of us - going from being the biggest and baddest kids at the Junior Campus to being half the size of the grade 12s was a paradigm shift. A co-ed classroom also provided a new experience, as we learned very quickly that girls don't all have cooties, and there are rare instances when boys aren't entirely gross. The years in middle school were filled with tool designing, impersonations of the famous, and the world's only competitions of strength, speed, and endurance while wrapped in a bedsheet.

We learned that "take home projects" mean that there isn't class time to work on them, even the day they are due, and we learned that while it is hard, it is very possible to make a poster board the night before. Lessons we would take with us on our evolutionary journey.

In the new world of senior school we spent our first days looking up to those who knew the lay of the land. We quickly learned essential skills of survival, for example to 'pull off' outwear one must give Thorau's office a wide radius when moving class to class. Soon, we settled into the day to day routine of senior student life, and rushing to homeroom at 8:19 felt only natural.

Though we sometimes moved in herds down the hallway, this was also the era when we specialized as individuals. We developed quirky traits. It is not only our eccentricities that developed as we evolved, but also our talents.

But even outside the classroom, we have seen each other through changes and losses. We are known as a tight knit class, we have also upheld our reputation as a remarkable group. Each and everyone of us has played a part in creating a legacy.

We are a class proudly known for our unity and also our respect. We respect each other and those around us. In fact, we admire all those that have surrounded us and supported us through our time at GNS. Everyday - we came home to parents excited to hear about our days, and on behalf of the class I apologize for all of the times we answered with : " It was good". Because in reality it was fantastic and sometimes frustrating or exciting - and you saw us through every up and every down. You put up with those large foreheads we Neanderthals were famous for, and you trusted the school would give us all the tools we need to move forward. And that they did. Our teachers were tireless mentors, they guided us through textbook questions, and made sure to tell us when our ideas in essays were moot. But they also taught us lessons and values you cannot find in a book. We thank them for teaching us how to tackle any challenge, and how to be successful. And that you are never fully dressed, without our top button done up.

But, Grads, we all have the same task tonight. To fold up our blazers and our ties and add them to the box of artifacts. These artifacts will be dated 2016, the year the Queen turned 90, the Cleveland Cavaliers upset the Golden State Warriors to win the NBA Championship, and the year United Kingdom split from the European Union. The year we graduated from Glenlyon Norfolk School.

Tonight we say goodbye to the hallways we have called our home, the library chairs we have called our bed, and the community we have called our family.

We've come along way since our first days on the beach, with the support of friends, families and teachers.

So we thank you Mom, and we thank you Dad, we love you and promise to make you proud.

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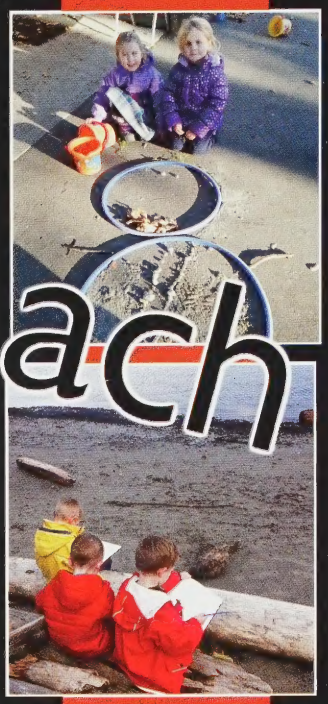

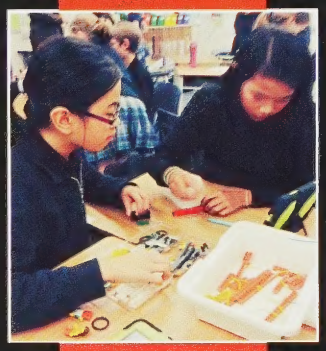

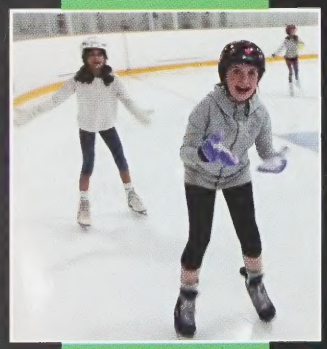

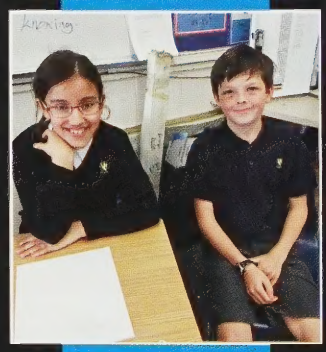

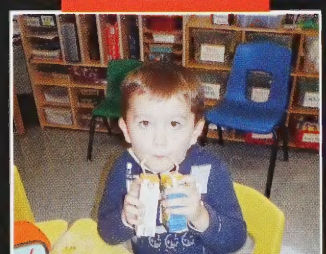

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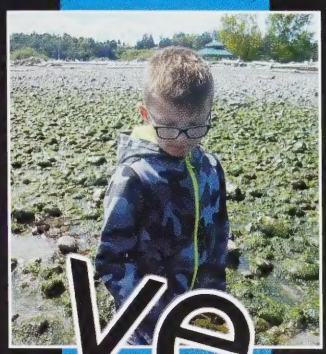

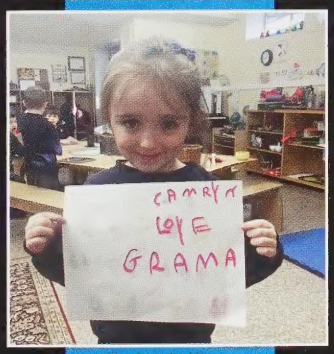

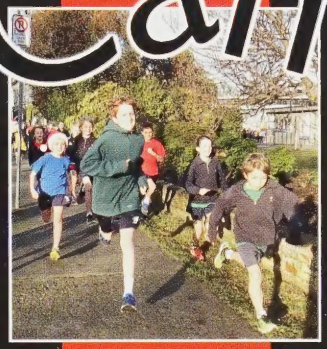

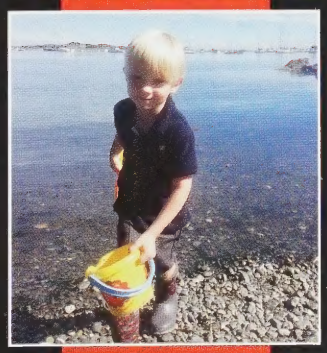
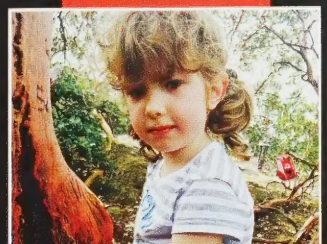

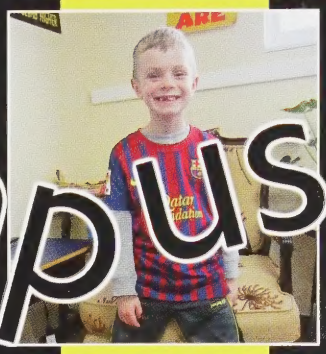

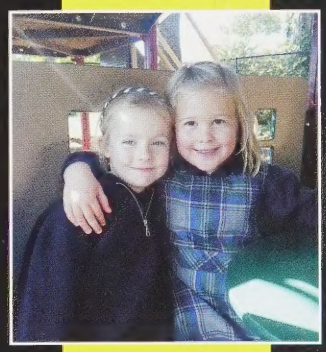

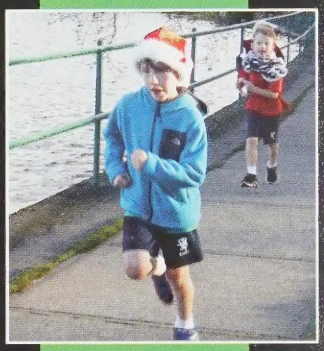

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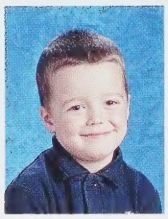

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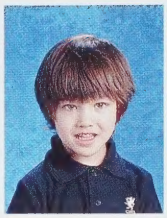

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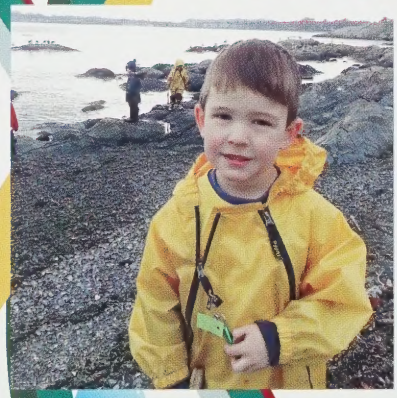

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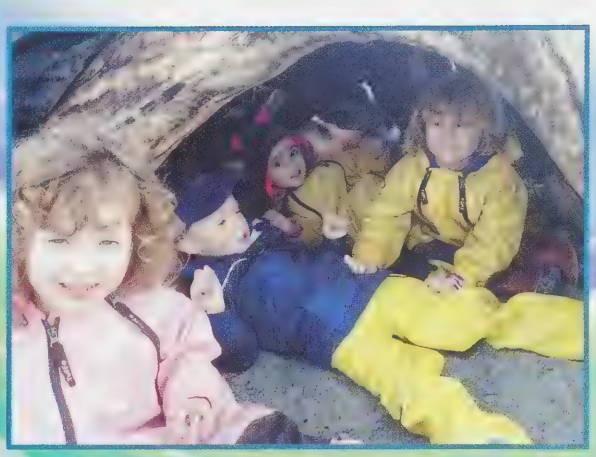

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Vivian Vail

Kiki Webb

Emma Wilton

Anne Yu

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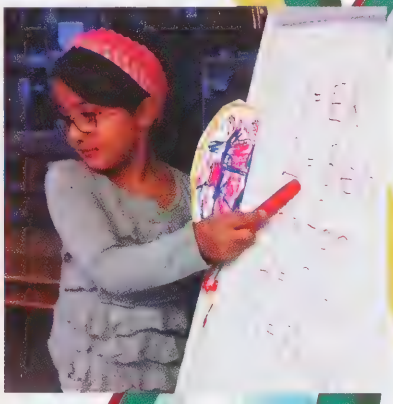

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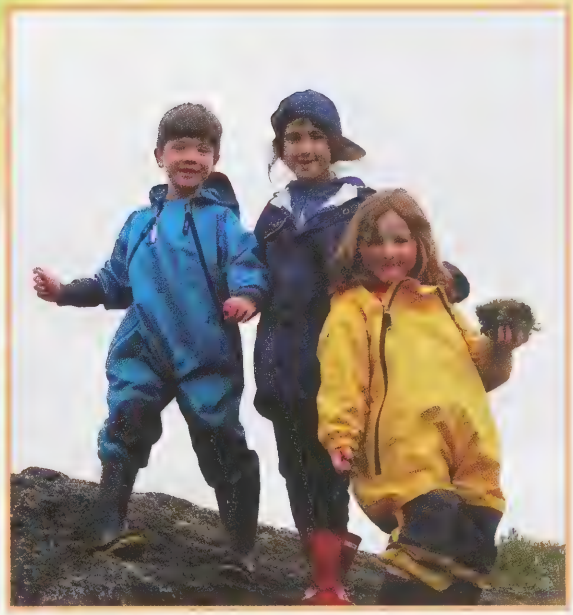

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Alison Scott

Jacky Shen

Siddharth Shetty

Finnley Shultz

Gus Steves

Sydney Stewart

Rowyn Tiampo

Clementine Woolner

Emily Allen

Evie Beiderwieden

Gracie Brooks

Nathan Colquhoun

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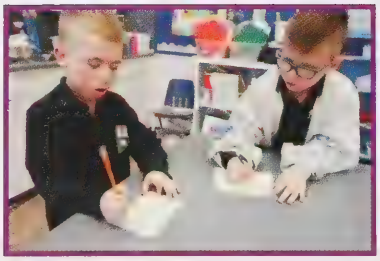

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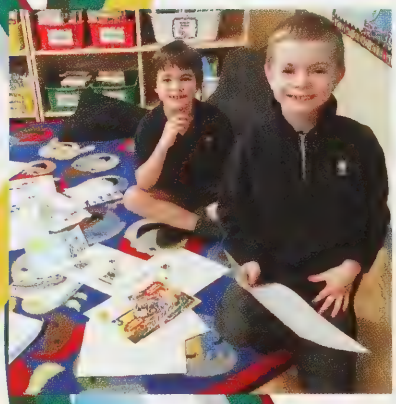

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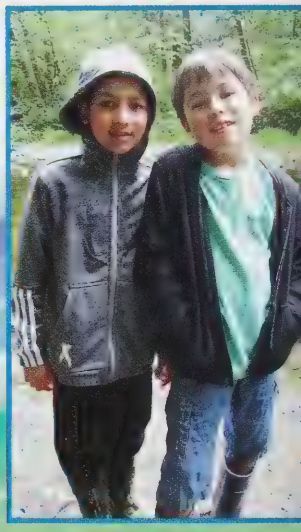

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Tyler Hemphill

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Ryan MacPherson

Arwyn Morris

Sierra Myers

Peter Norris

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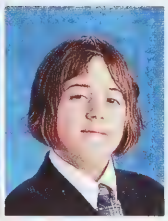
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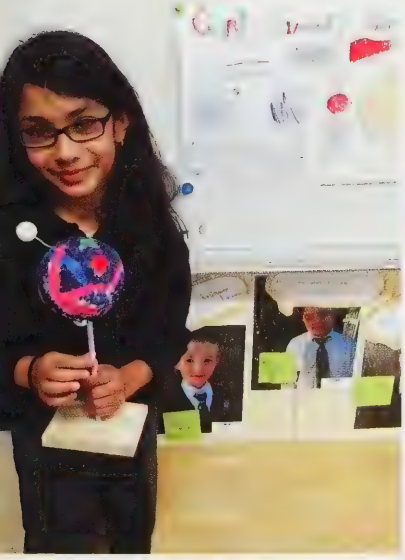

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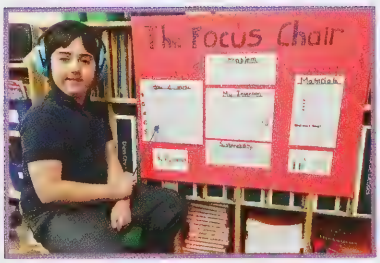

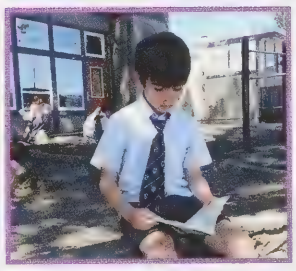

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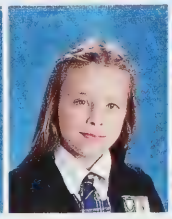

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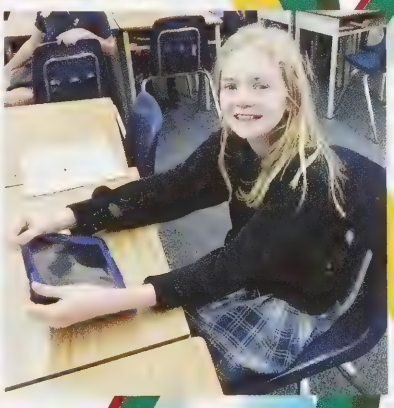

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Riya Kang

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Kieran Laurie-Winston

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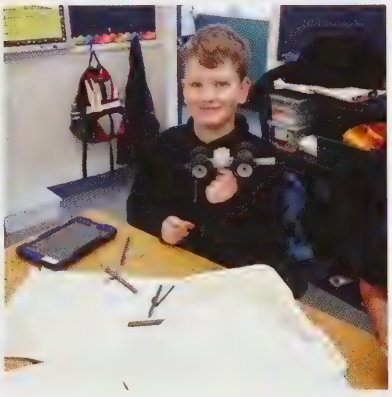

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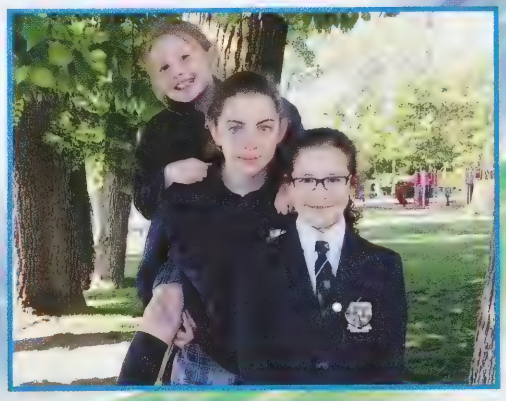

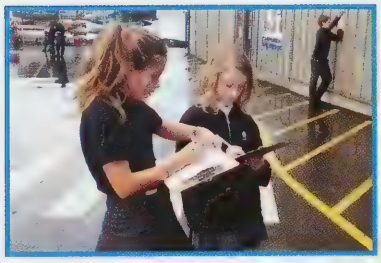

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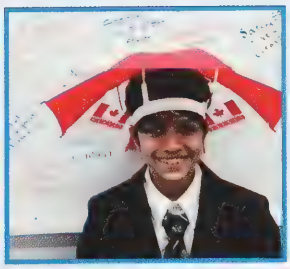

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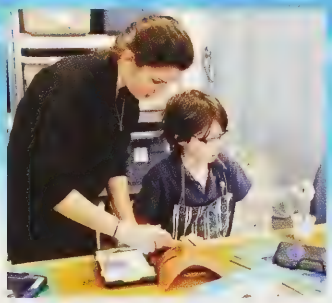

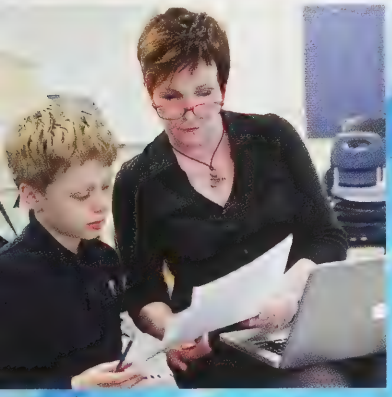

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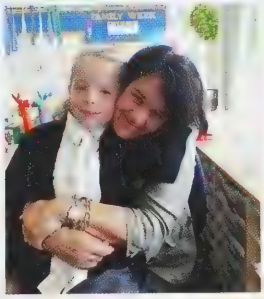

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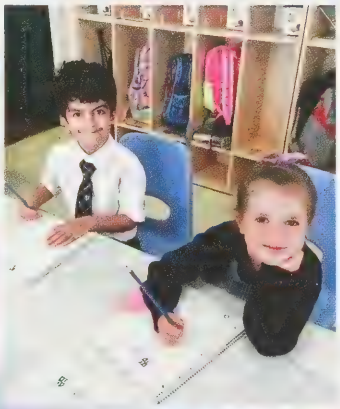

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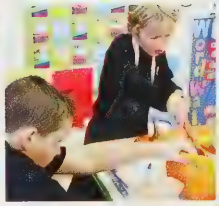

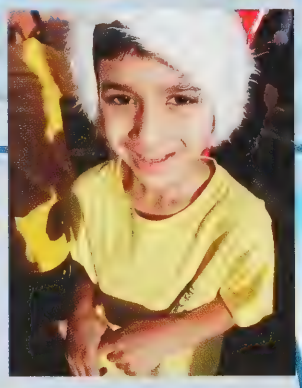

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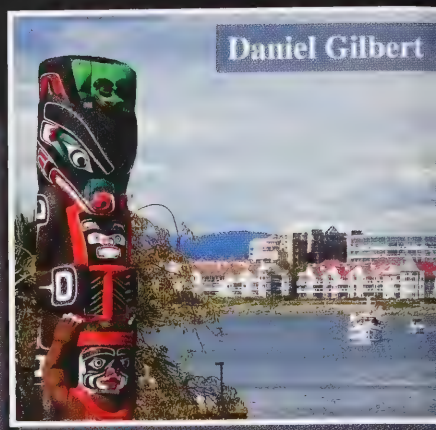
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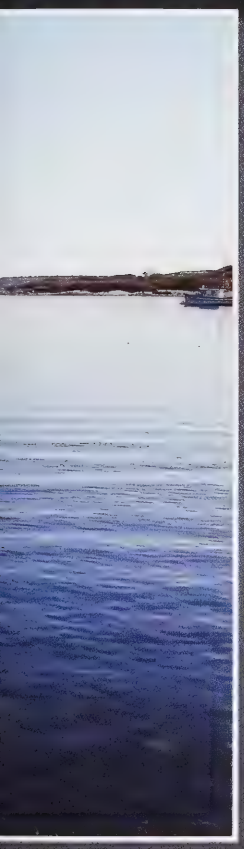

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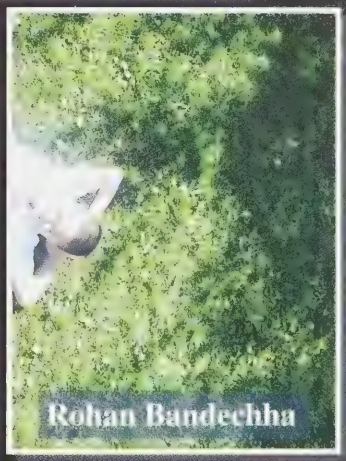
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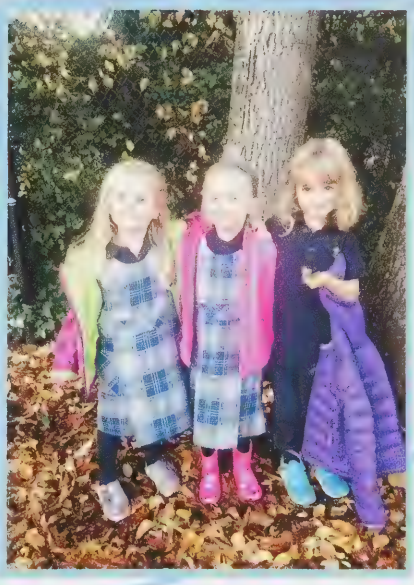

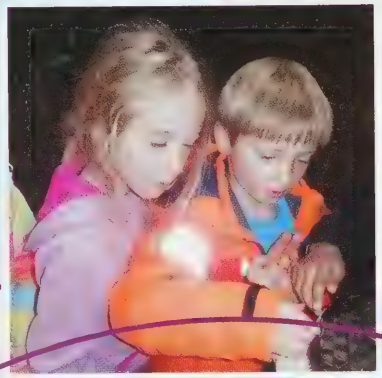

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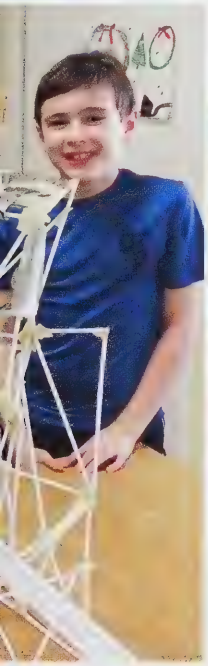

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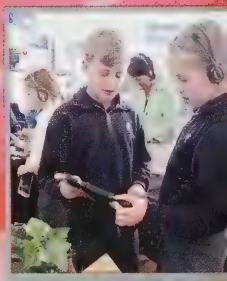

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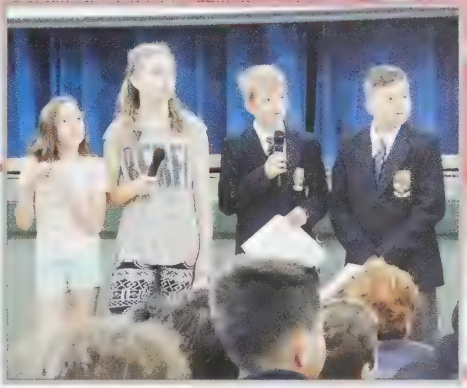

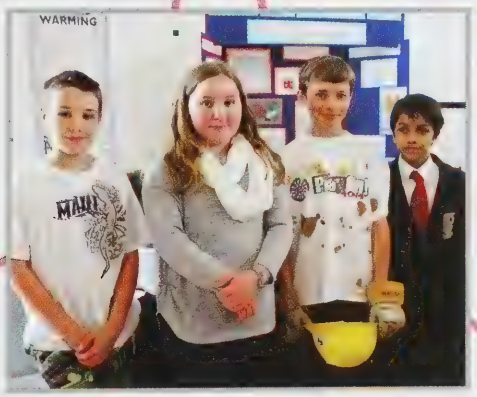

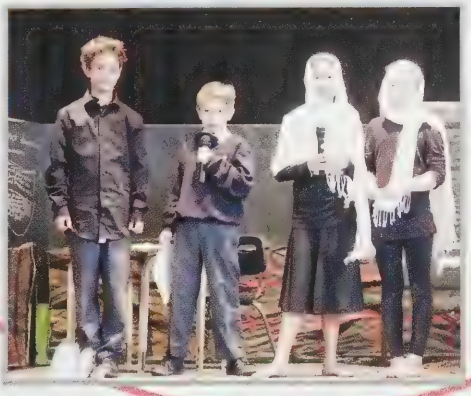

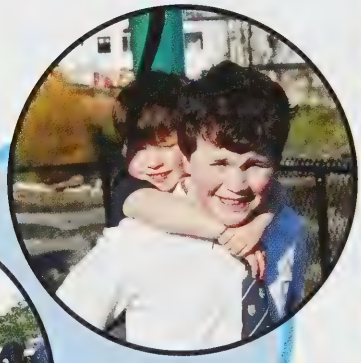

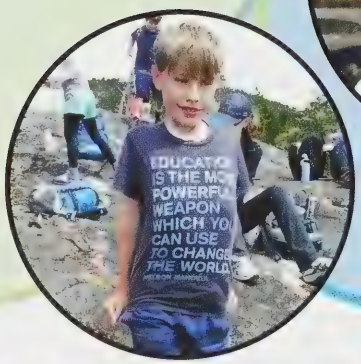
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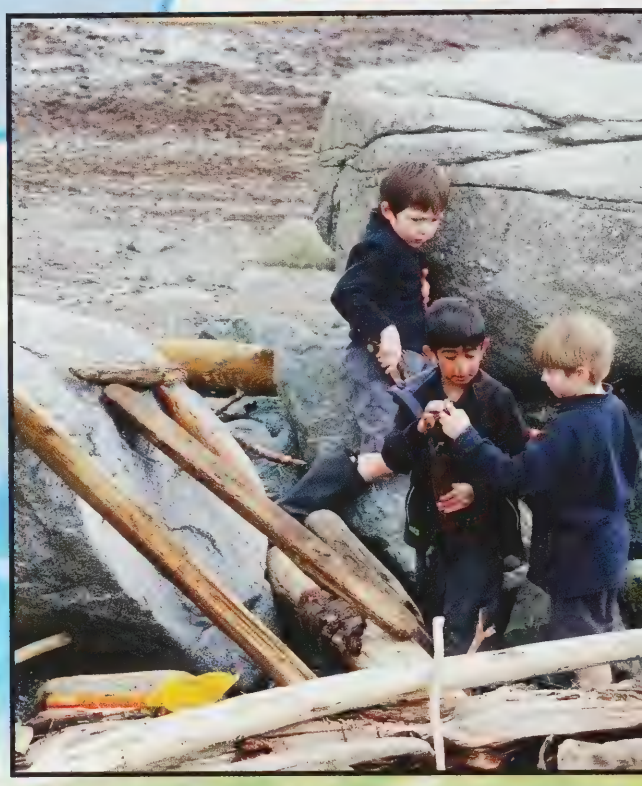
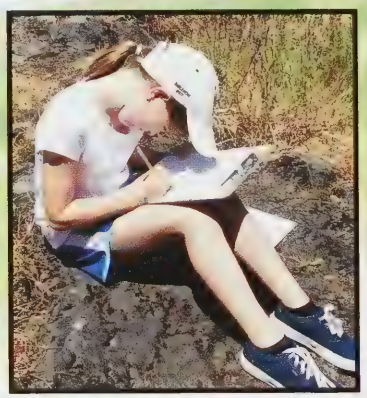




June

Art

Liam, Grade JK

Things That Bug Me
by Shunkichi

Bugs bug me
They crawl up my shirt
Some of them sting
And it really hurts
Some bugs bite
That makes me scratch
Let's go outside
I have some bugs to
catch

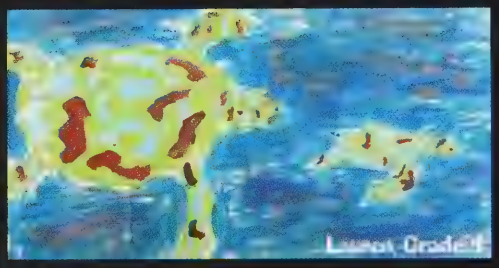
Shunkichi, Grade 5

Water
by Eva

Wet
Shimmering mirror
Water, ruffled fur on a
Scared cat's
Back

Elise, Grade 1

Ettan, Grade 1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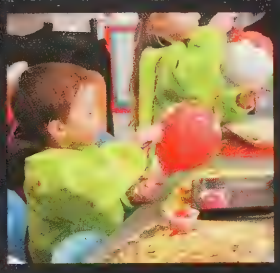


My Messy Room
By Eryn

When people enter my room,
They fall asleep from the fumes,
If that doesn't kill you,
I've got something to do the trick,
There are so many clothes on the floor,
It would be a miracle if you don't trip,
And if that's not enough,
Just look at my desk,
Strewn with papers in an unorganized mess,
And if you make it this far,
Your due for a rest,
So please be my guest,
Fall asleep on my unmade bed,
Just be warned you may never wake up,
You might be dead.

Grade 5 Poetry

The Wicked Rooster
by Finlay

so much hate was thrown
at the wicked rooster

this is why

it was brought to the farm to protect the
chickens
from lurking prey
especially in May, on Wednesday

it did its job well
too well

it even protected the chickens
from the farmer's family
who collected the eggs

when his family came to him
he thought they were over-exaggerating

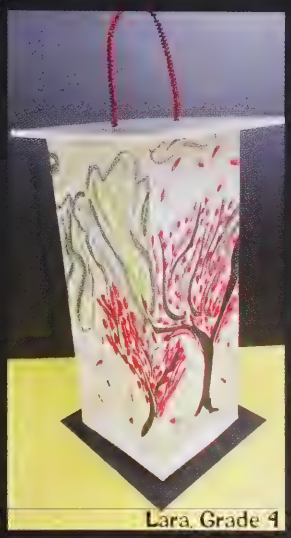
but
on Wednesday the 11th of May
the rooster striked for the last time
on the farmer

later the next day the farmer
executed the rooster

the blade sliced through the air
like there was no tomorrow

which was true

for the rooster at least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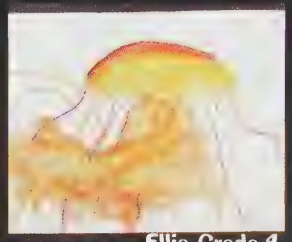
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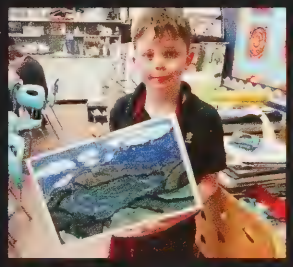

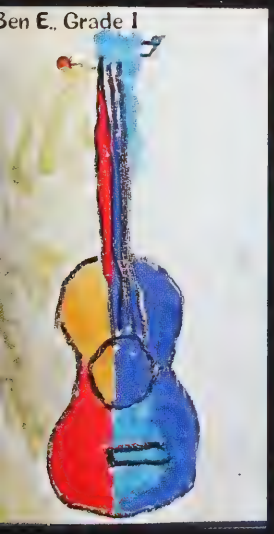
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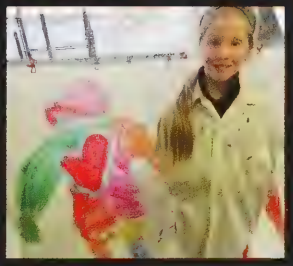
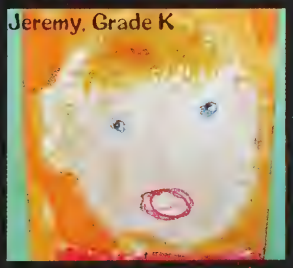


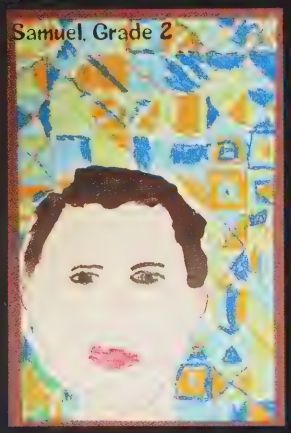

Jeremy, Grade K

Adam, Grade 4

Voyage
by Nathan

As oddly dressed people travel through
Rough seas rivers and lakes
With paddles so beautiful they sparkle the sea.
After 15 hours of hard work
Strong men find a place for the night.
At the end of the journey
They dance and party
With the moon so bright
Like a night light high in the sky.

Amana, Grade 2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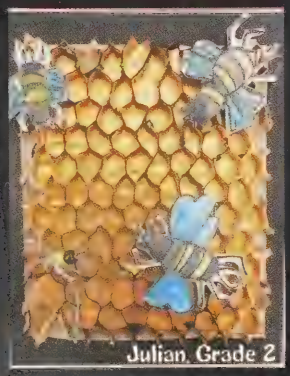
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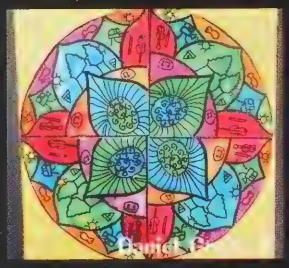

Daniel, 5

Mia, Grade K

Emilia, Grade 5

The Beach
by Satchel

Ripples in the water,
are the stripes on a zebras fur

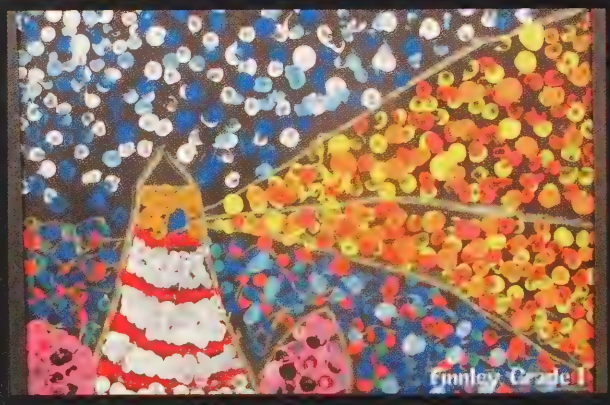
The rocks like black crystals,
glinting in the vibrant sun
light

The Eagles are new born
phoenixes, rising from hot
ashes

The sand is grains of sugar,
Just sweet slick and smooth

As the sun sets, a can of
yellow paint drops on the
Once blue sky

Now the sky starts to
fill with white prickles sparking
In the dark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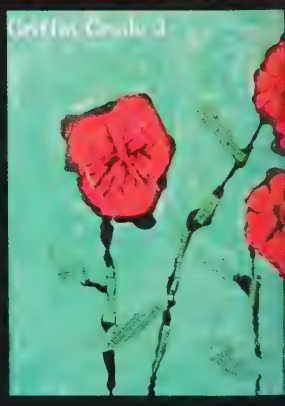
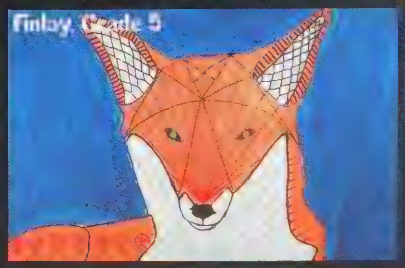

Griffin, Grade 3

Vanish
by Rohan

I see something in the water
I wonder what it is
I go down to explore
To find nothing more
It is that it has disappeared
So I vanish too
And hopes that it comes home
Very soon

Markus, Grade 4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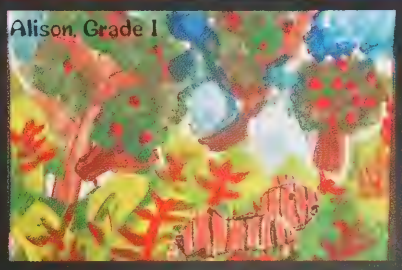
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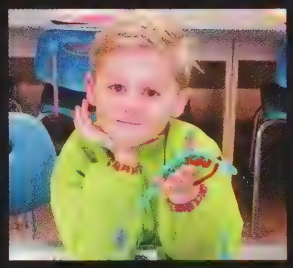

Sophie, Grade 3

Jane, Grade K

The Beach
By Riya

The beach is calm like the wind
Whoooooosh! You can here the sound
The beach brings us beauty
Beauty within and without
Everyone of us has a beach within
We all have a calm place in our hearts
If we all bring it out in each other
We'll have peace once again.

Nathan, Grade 1

Theo, Grade 3

Louis, Grade 3

Mila, Grade 5

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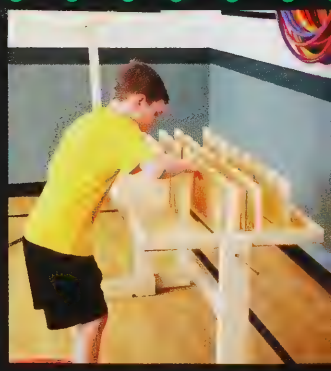
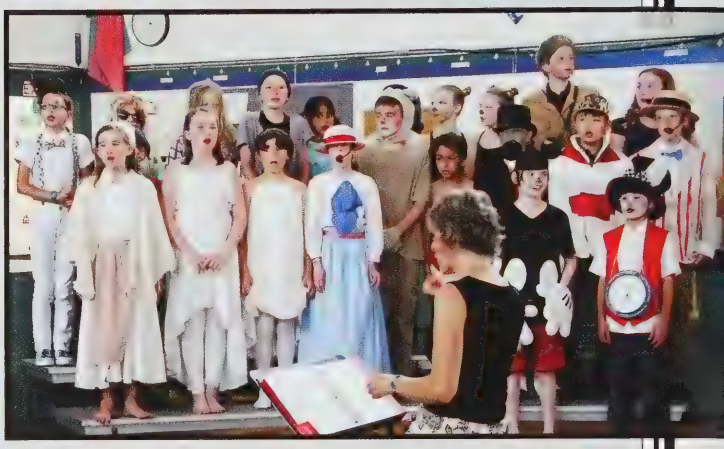
Survivor Games Sports Day!





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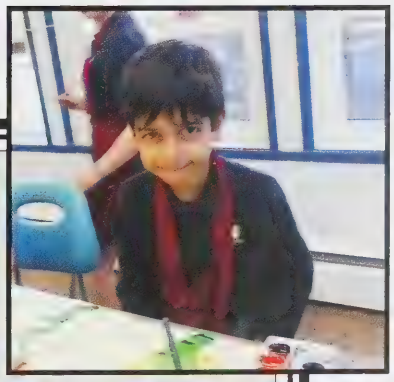

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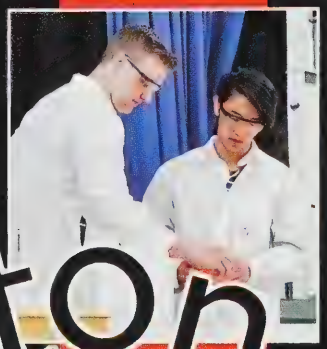
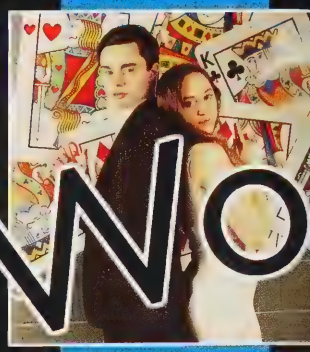

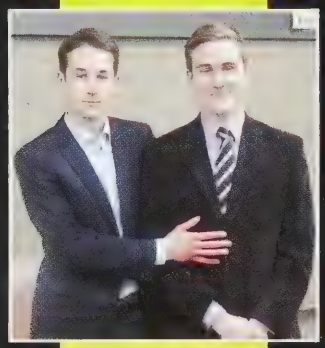
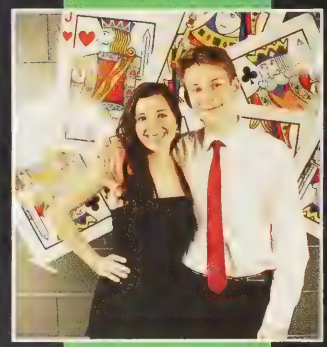

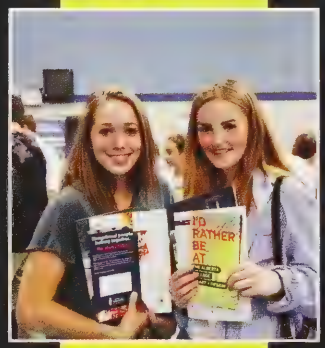

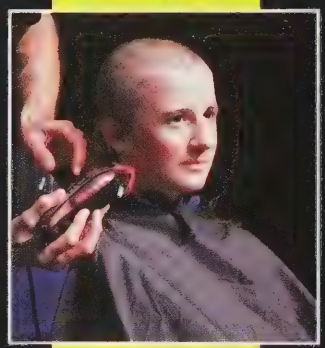

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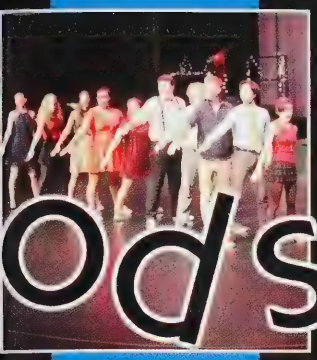
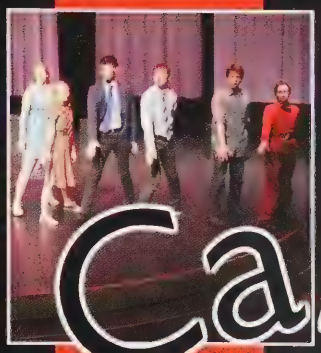

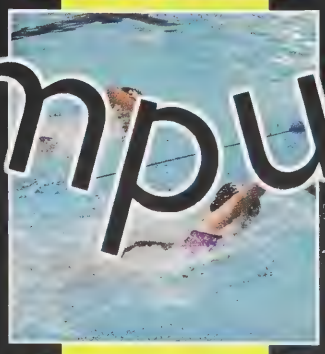

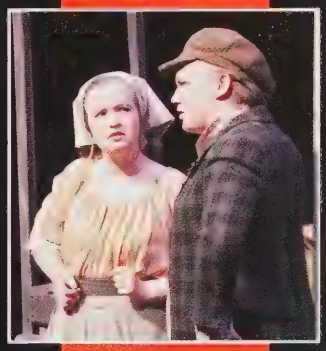

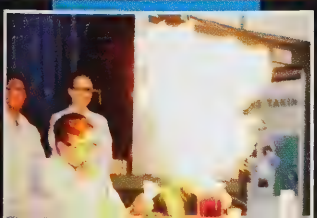

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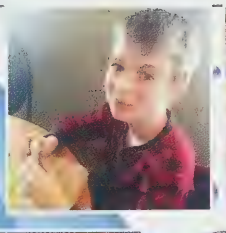

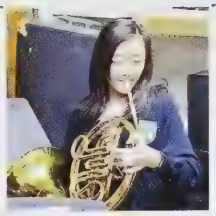

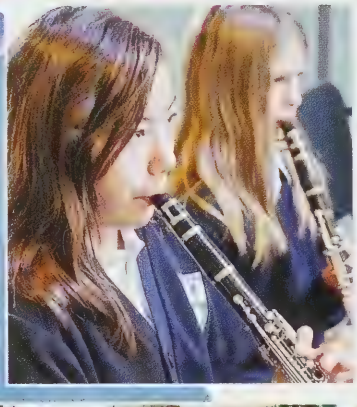

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Lainey Hunt
Missing:
Benjamin Dand &
Max Hoffman

Rishi Kapil
Alyssa Korol-Filbey
Jaiden Lo
Tessa Lovett
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Howard Pollock
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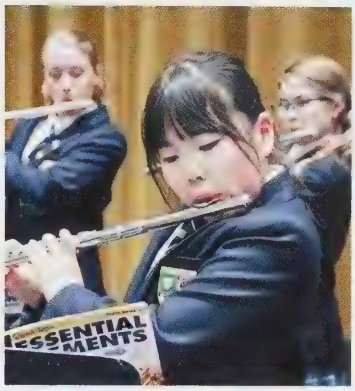

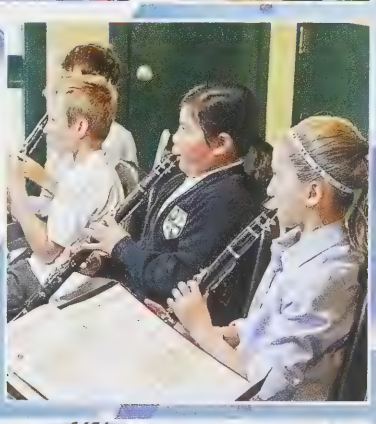

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Reina Roh
Theodore Ruan
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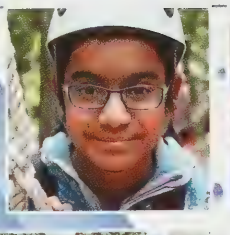

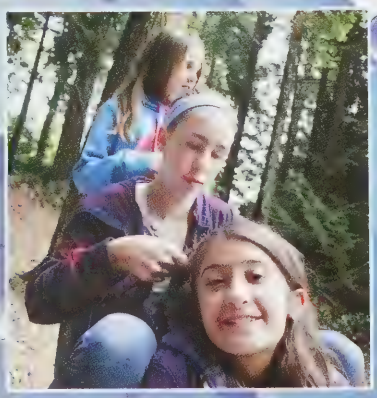

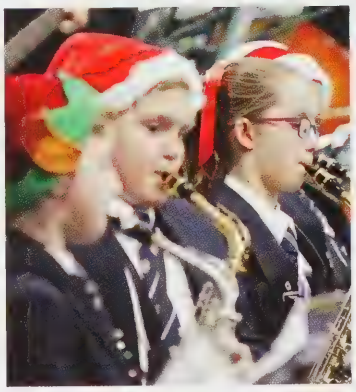

Chowers and the Winter Wonderland

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James Hancock
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Cameron Little
Matthew McCoey
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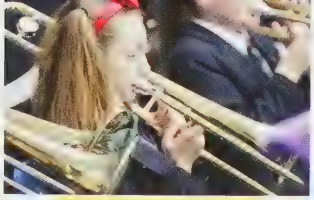
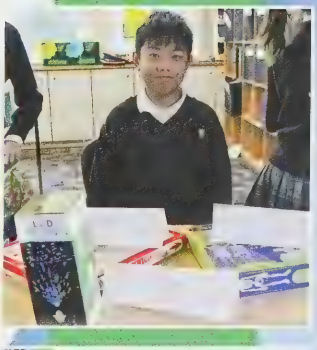

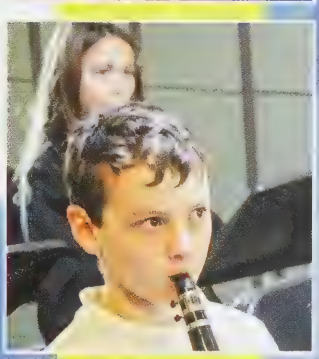

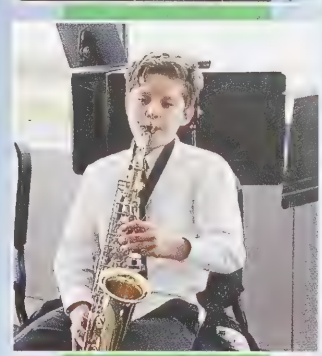

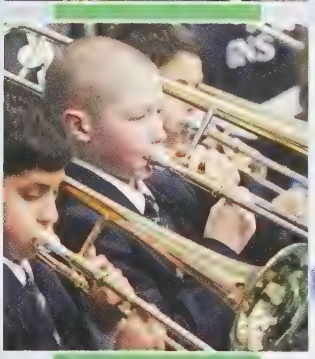
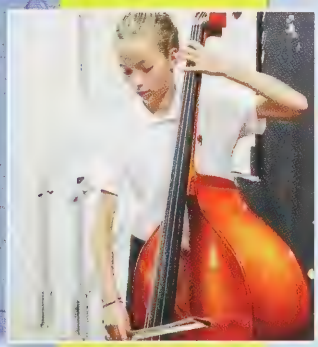

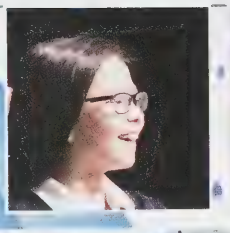

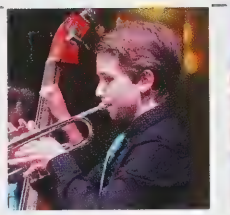
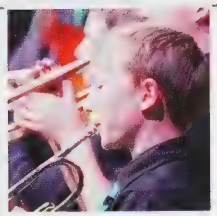

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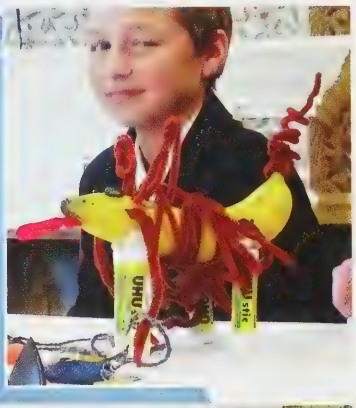

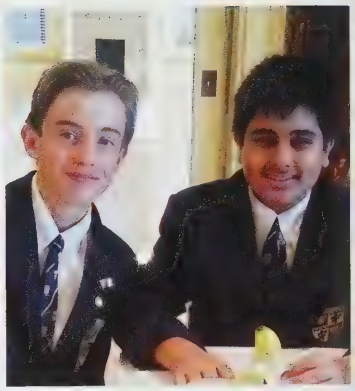

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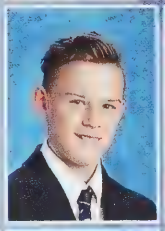

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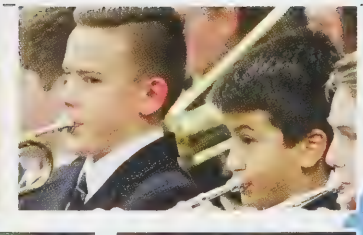

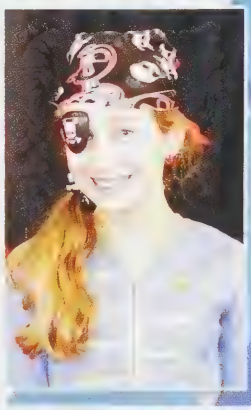

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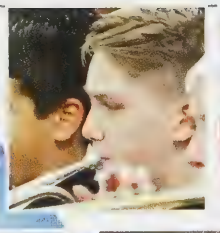
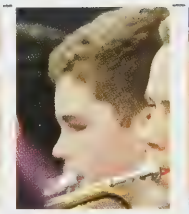

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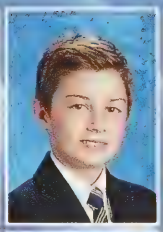

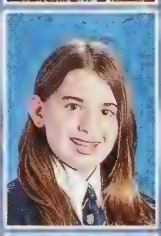

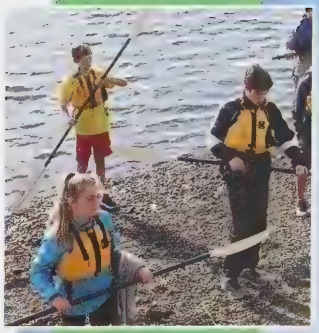

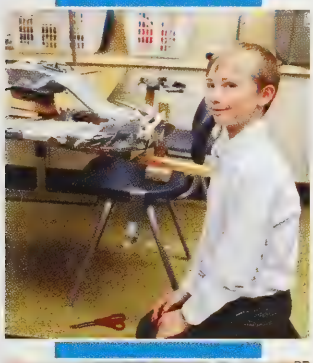
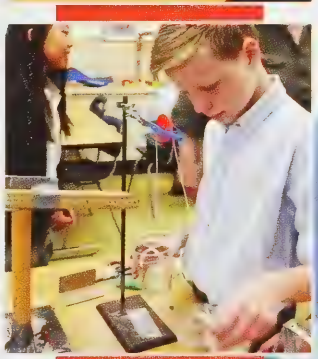

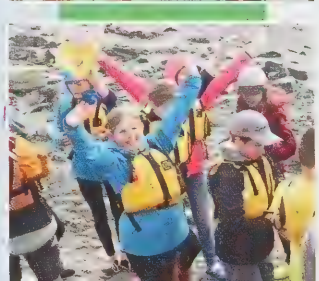

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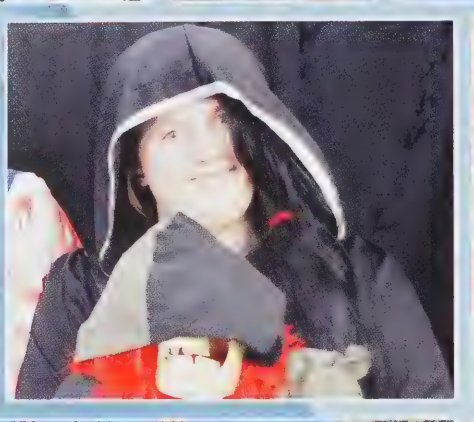
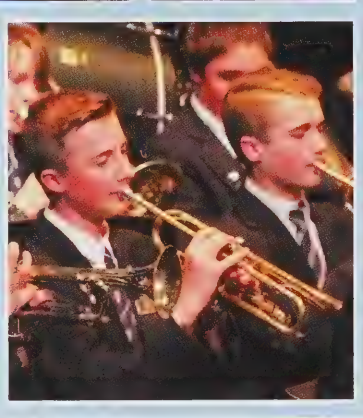

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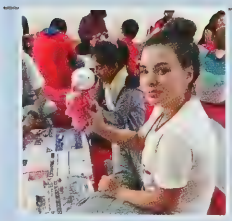

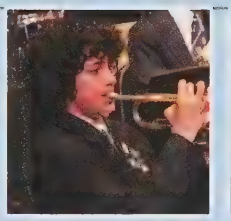
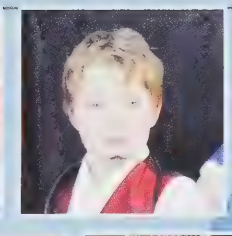
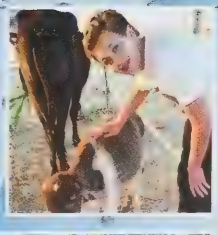

Cassandra Scholpp joined us from Germany in January.

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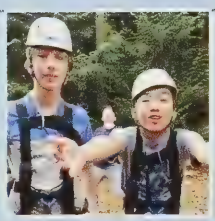

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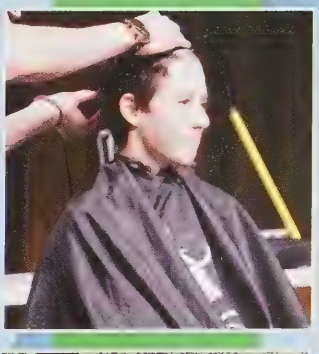


MS Fall Term
Use Your
Right
VOTE

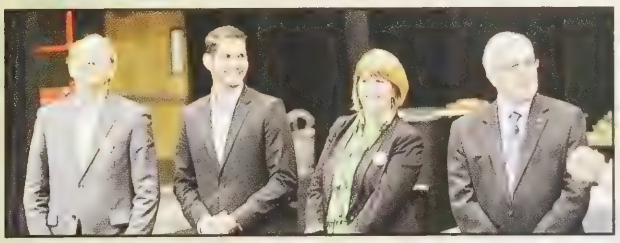
Prefects

Head Girl - Katie Hurst
Head Boy - Leo Prosalendis
Round Square Prefect - Lily Davies
Fine Arts Prefect - Annissa Granegger
Boys'Games Captain - Conor Barclay
Girls' Games Captain - Camille Germain
Blue House Captain - Matthew Alexander
Red House Captain - Reid Thompson
Green House Captain - Megan Vroom
Yellow House Captain - Maddie Harris

Day of Action

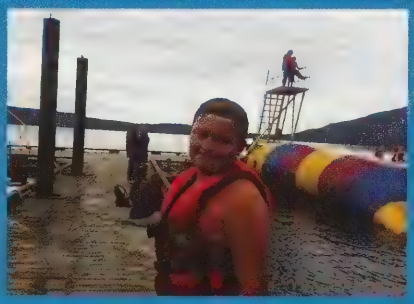
On Thursday, October 8th, students set up informational booths at strategic high-foot traffic locations on Oak Bay Ave (utilizing CBC's online Vote Compass), lead a rally march along McNeil to Monterey up to Oak Bay Ave and back down Richmond to The Hall, complete with student-made placards while handing out print materials to passersby. They then met with the Victoria area election candidates.

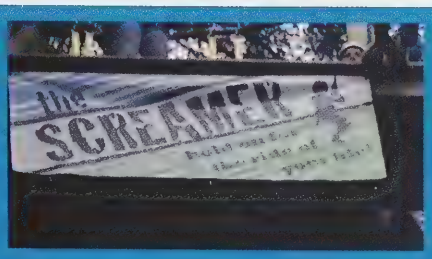
Student Vote



Candidates who visited were Murray Rankin (NDP), Jordan Reichert (Animal Alliance Environment Voters), Jo-Ann Roberts (Green Party) and John Rizzuti (Conservatives). Our results had Jo-Ann Roberts of the Green Party receiving 33.81% of the vote and Murray Rankin of the NDP coming in 2nd with 24.46%. In the riding in the federal election, Murray Rankin won with 42.28% and Jo-Ann Roberts came in second with 32.92%.

Middle School Outweek

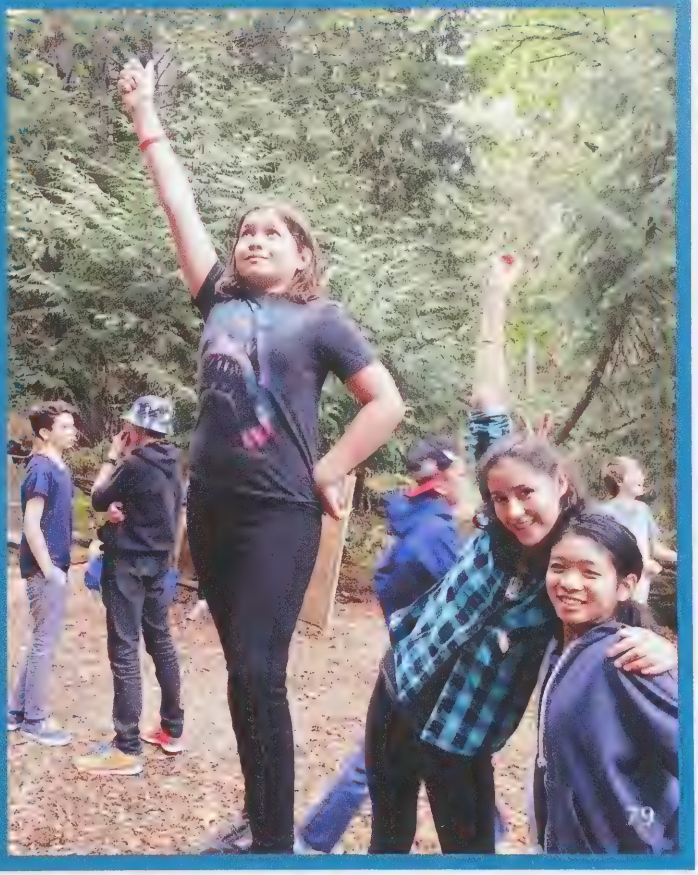




Grade 7 Activities Included:
Laser Tag, Sky Station, Climbing Tower, Breathtaker/Leap of Faith, Elevator/Trapeze Jump, Archery/Floor Hockey, and Screamer/Low Ropes.

Grade 6 Activities Included:
Breathtaker/Leap of Faith, Elevator/Trapeze Jump, Archery/Floor Hockey, Laser Tag, Sky Station, and Climbing Tower

Grade 8 Activities Included:
Drug and Alcohol Awareness/Leadership session, Waterfront time, Wildplay, Screamer/Low Ropes, Sky Station, Elevator/Trapeze Jump, and Laser Tag



Grade 6 Band Workshops

Professionals came in to instruct the Grade 6 students as they were starting on their band instruments. Workshop leaders were:
Flute - Sheri Robertson
Oboe - Audrey Bailey and Rainer Roth
Clarinet - Tom Ackerman
Saxophone - Erik Abbink
Trumpet - Tim Quinlan with SS Band President Megan Thompson
French Horn - Karen Hough
Trombone -Scott MacInnes
Baritone - Paul Beauchesne
Double Bass - James Young
Percussion -Kelby MacNayr

World Religion Tou

Grade 8 students had the opportunity to take part ir
custom tour with stops at St. Andrew's Cathedr
Congregation Emanu-El Synagogue, and Masjid Al-Im
Mosque. The tour corresponded with their program of stu
in Individuals and Societies where they learn about t
similarities and differences between these three religions. T
helps students in their exploration of religious influences a
tensions that occurred during the Middle Age

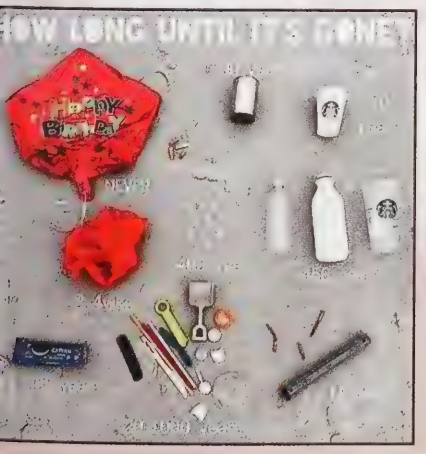
The Cross Country team trained at Pemberton Park at 7:30 am Mondays, coached by Leah Hall. They could attend up to 4 meets. At the Beaver Lake meet, the Grade 6 Boys won 1st team and the Grade 6 Girls won 2nd team. Members included:

Grade 6: Emilio Agostinelli, Miia Bekker, Kyle Degelman, Lainey Hunt, McKenna Lee, Quinn Levinson, Matthew McCoey, Ella Stanger, Luke Stanley, and Ethan Wharton.
Grade 7: Jonah Barr-Hoadley, Lily Brice, Mariel Reyes, and Corin Wallace.
Grade 8: Elijah Agostinelli & Megan Vroom.

Noteworthy: Kyle took 1st place in his race three weeks in a row.

Ban the Bag

Middle and Senior School students started on a mission to ban plastic bags and other single-use plastics. Grace Poole, Charlotte Brady and Anastasia Castro gave an impressive and courageous presentation to Victoria City Council to ban single-use plastics in Victoria. Later in the month, they visited stores in Cook Street Village asking them to support the plastic bag ban.



Grade 8s teach Science to 1s

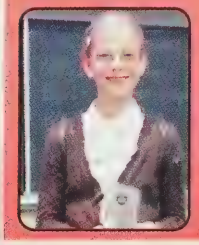
Model UN

Students from Grades 7 & 8 were able to participate in the Vancouver Youth Model United Nations Conference in Whistler from October 30 to November 1. Attending were Matthew Alexander, Conor Barclay, Melody Cheng, Nicole Fast, Alex Guildford, Wesley Lloyd-Kruger, Leo Prosalendis, Marisa Smith, Amy Zhao and Sam Zhao.

Debate

Debaters started the year with a workshop at the Victoria Marriott Hotel. Attendees included Jonah Barr-Hoadley, Conor Bosenberg, Charlotte Brady, Francesca Cumberbirch, Lily Davies, Nolan Dempsey, Meaghan Ellard-Webster, Sheila Ellard-Webster, Sofia Fin Storan, Katherine Hofer, Katie Hurst, Vanessa Leibel, Deandra Livora, Gabrielle MacPherson, Patrick Michalak, Rowan Morahan, Alexander Muller-Clemm, Nya Owen, Leo Prosalendis, Marisa Smith, Pitchaya Sunthonmongkholkit, Brooke Taylor, Corin Wallace, Anders Woodruff, Anastasia Xenia, Andrew Wale, Annalise Wall, John Windle, and Sienna Yaremchuck.

Students also participated in the UVic training tournament on September 26th, hosted jointly by the UVic Debate Society, Brentwood School and GNS. The tournament was open to students who had never debated at inter-school competitions. GNS Novice Individual Speakers won the top three spots: Sofie Fin Storan, Alexander Muller-Clemm and Marisa Smith. Top Novice Team Awards were: first to Sofie Fin Storan and Katrina (from another school) and second to Alexander Muller-Clemm and Rowan Morahan.



Boys U13 Soccer

The U13 boys soccer team had a very successful season this year, traveling to Vancouver to compete in the IB Soccer Summit Series. The boys trained hard under coaches Damon Henry and Duncan Brice and were dominant in their games. Well done to this skilled and committed group of young players. The members of this team included: Luke Ballinger, Bennett Cannell, Kyle Degelman, Parker Dix, Ian Ferguson, Alex Gonin, Alex Guildford, Dylan Hemphill-Theriault, Finley Hildebrand, Nathan Jackson, Alexander Muller-Clemm, Manuel Padilla Castillo, Kristjan Shoemaker, Luke Stanley, Dexter Stoiber, Finnbar Sweeney, Ethan Wharton

SS Junior Boys Soccer

A number of Middle School soccer players got pulled up to play on our SS Junior Boys team including:
Grade 7 - Molo Padilla Castillo.
Grade 8 - Matthew Alexander, Alec Boegman, Jack DesBrisay, Ethan Dickinson, Cedric Jegede, Armando Trujillo Garcia, Diego Trujillo Garcia, Reid Thompson, Joel Verrier, and Sebastian White.

MS Boys 6-8 Soccer

Two teams were created to play in the LMISSA Recreation League: a 6/7 team coached by Jake Burnett and a 7/8 team coached by Lance Pimlott. Members included:
Grade 6: Matthew McCoey, Arran Robertson, Theodore Ruan, and Robin Xu.
Grade 7: Wesley Lloyd-Kruger, Rowan Morahan, and Corin Wallace.
Grade 8: Matthew Alexander, Conor Barclay, Alec Boegman, Ethan Dickinson, Nathaniel Frank-Hicks, Cedric Jegede, Jackson Miller, Reid Thompson, Diego Trujillo Garcia, Joel Verrier, Sebastian White, and Sam Zhao.

MS Girls 6-7 Soccer

The girls had an fun season including their jamboree on September 28.
Coaches: Marisa Smith, Tassy Davidson, and Kiara Hopkins
Grade 6: Isabelle Berry, Makena Lee, Hannah Sawchuck, Grace Serfas, Ella Stranger, Regan Turner, Beatrix White and Savanna Yaremchuk.
Grade 7: Ava Dryden, Tara Golonka, Sophia Glatiotis, Katherine Hofer, Taylor Leong, Marisa Smith, and Sophia Vasko.

MS Girls 6-8 Soccer

The girls team included students from 6-8 in their jamboree. **Coach:** Tassy Davidson.
Grade 6: Isabelle Berry, Makena Lee, Tessa Lovett, Grace Serfas, Regan Turner, Hannah Sawchuck, Savanna Yaremchuk and Beatrix White.
Grade 7: Lily Brice, Ella Brown, Londyn Denford, Francesca Cumberbirch, Ava Dryden, Sophia Glatiotis, Tara Golonka, Katherine Hofer, Taylor Leong, Mariel Reyes, Elliot Smith, Marisa Smith, Sophia Vasko, Hannah White, and Lily Wieczorek.
Grade 8: Chloe Hill-Huse and Sally Jones.

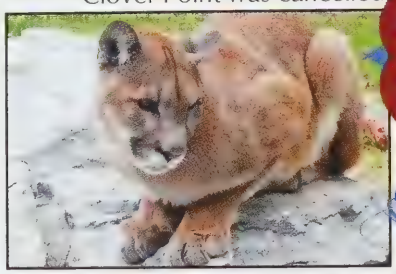
U15 Girls Soccer

The U15 Girls Soccer team went to Montreal this year to compete in the CAIS U15 Girls National Soccer Tournament. This year's team included **Coach:** Ali Doerksen.
Grade 6: Jillian Betts.
Grade 7: Lily Brice, Ella Brown, Londyn Denford, Nya Owen, Elliot Smith, and Hannah White.
Grade 8: Erin Addison, Lily Davies, and Camille Germain.
Grade 9: Sydney Hemphill, Annie McLeod, Kaya Oro-Martin, Emily Thompson, and Leah Zack.

Terry Fox Run

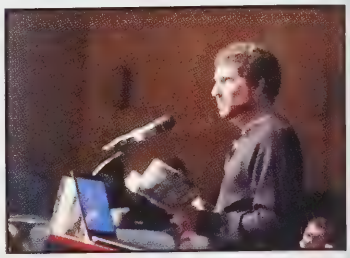
Unfortunately, our annual Terry Fox Run down at Clover Point was cancelled.

A cougar was sighted during the day on October 2nd and school staff did not want to challenge any student to outrun one! The cougar was eventually captured after leaping over some officers trying to catch it.



Kenneth Oppel Visit

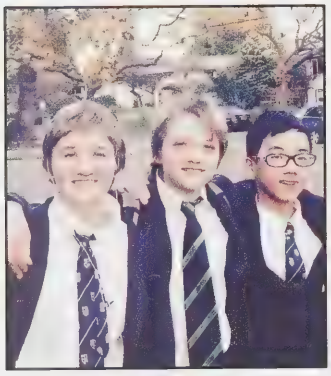
On Monday, October 19th, famous author Kenneth Oppel came to talk about his new book "The Nest." He spoke to Grades 4 through 7 in The Hall.



WE DAY

Twenty-seven students were selected to participate in We Day on October 21. W Day is hosted by Free the Children, and this massive event hosts 16,500 youth an educators from BC whose goal is to raise awareness in global citizenship and social justice, and inspire students to become passionate about world issues. Participants were: Sienna Yaremchuk, Grace Serfas, Sophia Wall, Anastasia Castr Emilio Agostinelli, Sahil Baldwin, Maiya Hernandez-Morrison, Tessa McCaig, Alyssa Korol-Filbey, Regan Turner, Sophie Li, Vanessa Leibel, Tara Golonka, Mahanna Singh, Beatrix White, Gabrielle Macpherson, Josie O'Brien, Helena Mundstock, Devon Duquette, Mira Sobkin, Sheila Ellard-Webster, Annalise Wall, Marisa Smith, Megan Vroom, Caitlin Steves, Hannah White, and Lily Brice.

Tamagawa Summit



Students from Tamagawa Academy, an IB World School from Japan, visited on October 13th before a group of our students headed to Nanaimo on October 16th for the IB Conference. Topics ranged from nuclear power to marine life conservation to climate change.

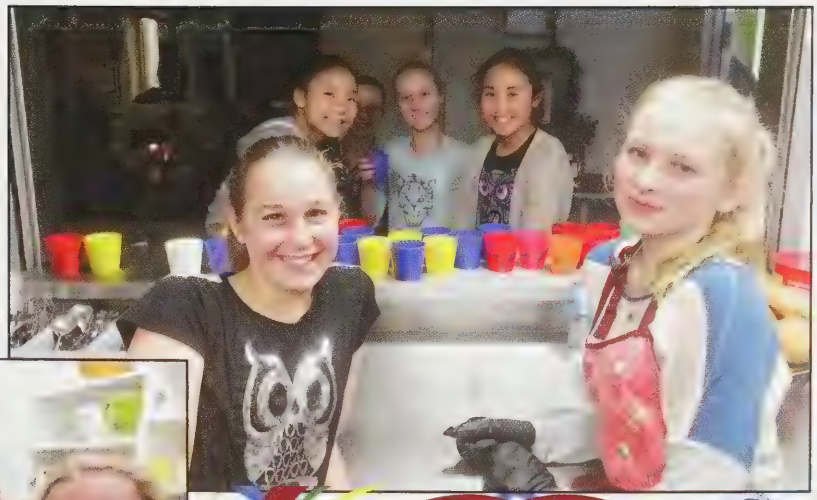
Students attending included: Alec Boegman, Melody Cheng, Jack DesBrisay Maiya Hernandez-Morrison, Anastasia Castro, Izzy Macklin, Sam Zhao, Am Zhao, Maddie Harris, Caitlin Steves, Sienna Yaremchuk and Megan Vroom.

Kansai Visit

The students visiting from Kansai hosted a Japanese Cultural Fair with activities ranging from calligraphy to manga comic reading to making origami and Japanese fans. Their evening presentation also involved traditional dance.

Round Square

The students in the Round Square Committee have had a variety of options this term to participate in service opportunities or exchanges. Some students prepared and served meals with great enthusiasm at the Mustard Seed. The Young Round Square group has been committed to operating the Street Café with the Mustard Seed where they raised money to buy the food, created a menu, cooked, served, and cleaned up at the end of the meal. This meal was Nov. 27th.



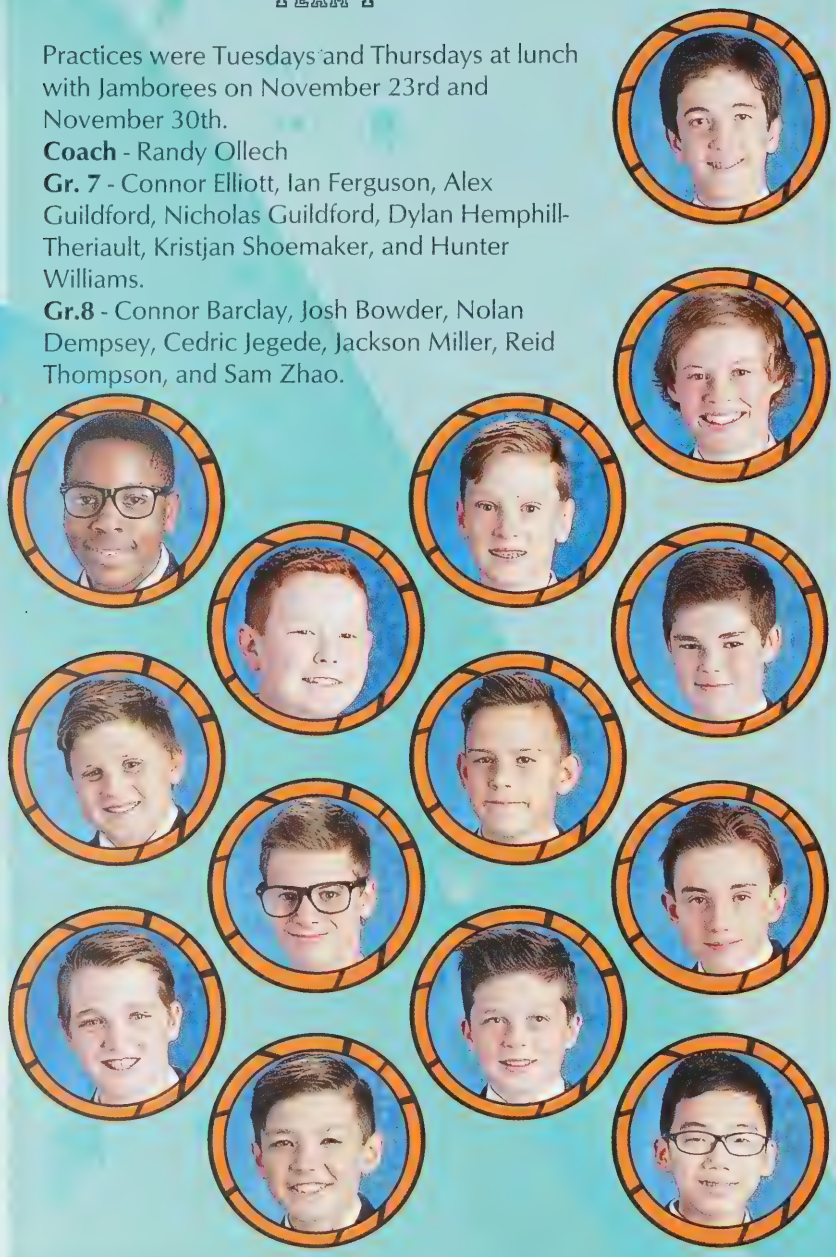
Hallowe'en

The Middle School celebrated Hallowe'en with the Hallowe'en Fashion Show and a pumpkin carving contest! Grade 7 students had the chance to walk around the Ross Bay Cemetery to collect sensory details and ideas for a Hallowe'en Short Story Contest.

7/8 Boys Basketball

Team 1

Practices were Tuesdays and Thursdays at lunch with Jamborees on November 23rd and November 30th.
Coach - Randy Ollech
Gr. 7 - Connor Elliott, Ian Ferguson, Alex Guildford, Nicholas Guildford, Dylan Hemphill-Theriault, Kristjan Shoemaker, and Hunter Williams.
Gr.8 - Connor Barclay, Josh Bowder, Nolan Dempsey, Cedric Jegede, Jackson Miller, Reid Thompson, and Sam Zhao.



7/8 Boys Basketball

Team 2

Practices were Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:30 am with Jamborees on November 23 and November 30th.
Coach - Robert Marthaller
Gr. 7 - Bennett Cannell, Alex Gonin, Nathan Jackson, Luke Stanley, and Dexter Stoiber.
Gr. 8 - Matthew Alexander, Jack DesBrisay, Drake Erickson, Colin MacMillan, and Leo Prosalendis.

Senior School Junior Boys Basketball

6/7 Boys Basketball

Practices were Tuesdays and Thursdays at lunch with Jamborees on November 5th, November 26th and December 3rd.
Coaches - Jake Burnett, Chris Graham and Ethan Stanger
Gr. 6 - Emilio Agostinelli, Luke Ballinger, Rhys Butterfield, Kyle Degelman, David Escalante Nava, Nathaniel Frank-Hicks, James Hancock, Finley Hildebrand, Rishi Kapil, Matthew McCoey, Raine Orser, Deaton Pollock, Connor Roberts, Arran Robertson, Theodore Ruan, Harrison Starke, Robin Xu and Gabriel Zack.
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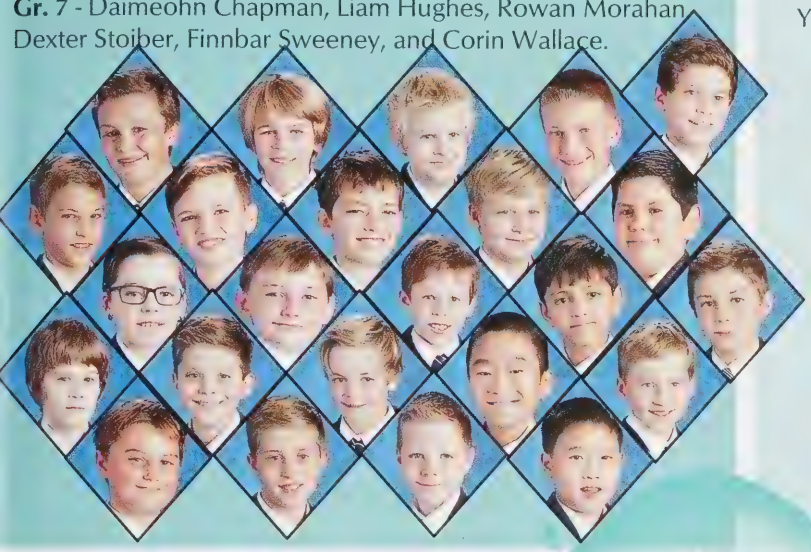


7/8 Girls Basketball

Practices were Fridays at lunch with Jamborees on November 4th, November 25th and December 2nd.
Coaches - Duncan Brice and Samara Piercy.
Gr. 7 - Lily Brice, Ella Brown, Madison Davits, Ava Dryden, Tara Golonka, Mariel Mojica Reyes, Hannah White, and Lily Wieczorek.
Gr. 8 - Charlotte Brady, Melody Cheng, Lily Davies, Camille Germain, Madeleine Harris, Chloe Hill-Huse, Katie Hurst, Ismay Macklin, Tess McCaig, Megan Vroom, Sienna Yaremchuk and Amy Zhao.

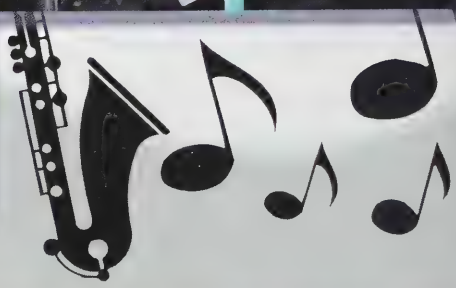
6/7 Girls Basketball

Practices were at 7:30 am on Tuesdays, with Jamborees on November 24th and December 1st.
Coaches - Tassy Davidson and Samara Piercy
Gr. 6 - Isabelle Berry, Jillian Betts, Devan Duquette, Makena Lee, Alice Li, Tessa Lovett, Helena Mundstock, Alison Roberts, Calla Roberts, Ella Stanger, Sraddha Uppili and Savanna Yaremchuk.
Gr. 7 - Francesca Cumberbirch, and Sophia Glatiotis.

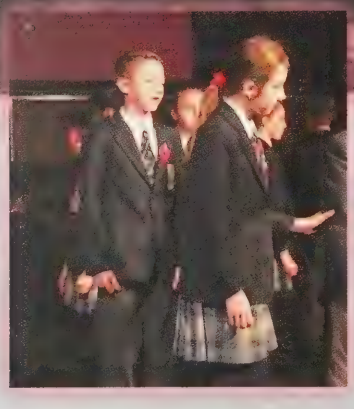
Grade 8s Josh Bowder and Sam Zhao also played on the Senior School Team. The team placed second at the final ISA tournament after playing well in league games. Practices with Coaches Randy Ollech and Greg Harrison started in mid November, with league play starting in December and the tournament in January.

Jazz Band

Matthew Alexander, Alec Boegman, Alex Guildford, Chloe Hill-Huse, Katie Hurst, Cam Little, Wes Lloyd-Kruger, Izzy Macklin, Rowan Morehan, Caitlin Steves, Brooke Taylor, Corrin Wallace, Seb White, Anders Woodruff, and Robin Zhang.



Remembrance Day



MIDDLE SCHOOL TIMES

GNS GRYPHONS

Fall Term 2015

Activities

Art Club

Art Club had a fantastic time creating mosaics. From drawing pictures on to boards to cutting and gluing glass, the students learned various skills of making mosaics. Although the process wasn't easy, the results were beautiful.

Garden

A group students, along with help from Mrs. McCullough, have rejuvenated the school garden. They also had a chance to visit the Haliburton and Mason Street Farms to learn about sustainable food production.

Royal BC Museum

On Tuesday, December 1st, Grade 7s went to the Museum to develop their knowledge of local First Nation culture.

Christmas Carol

On Wednesday, December 9th, Grade 7s had the opportunity to attend a special matinee performance of Charles Dickens' play "A Christmas Carol" at the Belfry Theatre. It was great to see this classic tale come to life on stage!

Round Square

Halloween for Hunger

The Young Round Square encouraged the Middle School to bring in a whopping 1173 lbs of food for the Mustard Seed.

Car Wash

The Young Round Square ran a car wash on a sunny November 21st from 10 till 2.

Individuals

Othello

Cameron Little (Grade 6) was part of the cast of "Otello" with Pacific Opera Victoria. Also involved in the production were Arwayn Morris (Grade 3) and Ms. Inge Illman.

Assemblies

Pacific Wild

GNS Alumnus, Ian McAllister, co-founder of Pacific Wild, spoke about protecting the land, sea, and wildlife of Canada's Great Bear Rain Forest. It was a fascinating presentation of great photography, videography, and story telling.

iTromboni

This fabulous group of musicians, who specialize in playing trombones, performed for us on November 20th. They had a huge repertoire and introducing some amazing things!

Academics

Spanish

Gr. 6s celebrated Dia de los Muertos by creating collages.

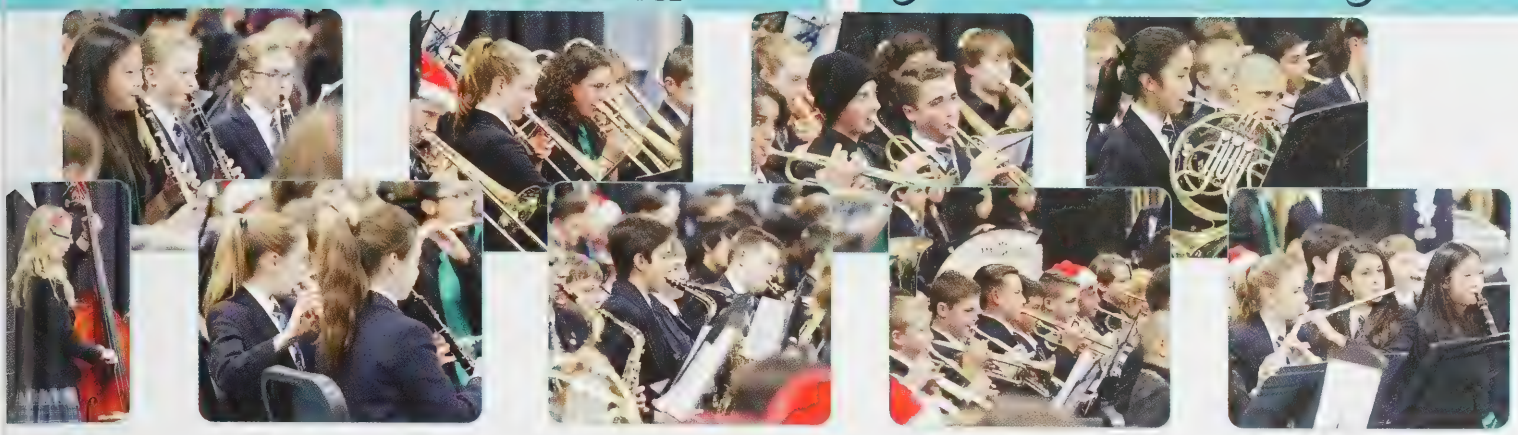
Writing Contest

Sarah Cameron won the Grade 7 Spookfest Writing Competition

MS Winter Term

Winter Wonderland

Grade 7/8 Concert Band



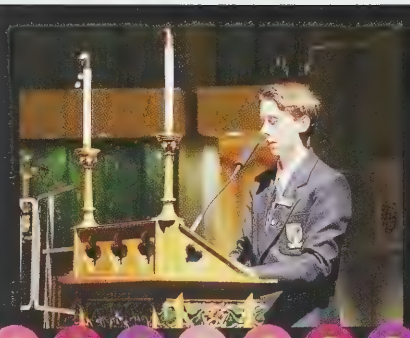
Flute: Dana Escalante Nava, Izzy Macklin, Megan Vroom, Robin Zhang, Lily Brice & Ella Brown. **Oboe:** Annalise Wall. **Clarinet I:** Josie O'Brien & Nya Owen. **Clarinet II:** Connor Elliott, Grace Poole & Luke Stanley. **Alto Saxophone:** Conor Barclay, Jack DesBrisay, Alex Guildford, Dylan Hemphill-Theriault, Patrick Michalak, Rowan Morahan & Brooke Taylor. **Tenor Saxophone:** Jakob Svorkdal, Connor Bosenberg & Jacob McIntyre. **Baritone Saxophone:** Sebastian White. **Trumpet I:** Matthew Alexander, Liam Hoogewerf, John Windle, Jonah Barr-Hoadley, Ian Ferguson, Guilia Giommi & Niki Guildford. **Trumpet II:** Nathan Jackson, Wesley Lloyd-Kruger, Alexander Muller-Clemm, Kristjan Shoemaker, Liam Singh, Finnbar Sweeney & Lily Wieczorek. **French Horn:** Tara Golonka. **Trombone:** Lily Davies, Nicole Fast, Chloe Hill-Huse, Alex Gonin, Andrew Wale & Anders Woodruff. **Baritone:** Maiya Hernandez-Morrison & Tess McCaig. **Tuba:** Ronen Somogyi & Londyn Denford. **String Bass:** Marisa Smith. **Percussion:** Eli Agostinelli, Melody Cheng, Ethan Dickinson, Alec Boegman, Bennett Cannell, Sophia Vasko, Dexter Stoiber & Amy Zhao.

Jazz Band

Seb White, Katie Hurst, Brooke Taylor, Rowan Morehan, Izzy Macklin, Matthew Alexander, Wes Lloyd-Kruger, Corin Wallace, Chloe Hill-Huse, Anders Woodruff, Alex Guildford, Robin Zhang, Caitlin Steves, Cam Little and Alec Boegman.

Grade 6 Concert Band

Flute: Luke Ballinger, Mohannah Singh, Reina Roh, Makena Lee, Alice Li, & Miia Bekker. **Oboe:** Anya Nadra & Calla Roberts. **Clarinet:** Taya Lee, Ellie Steele, Sraddha Uppili, Drew Erickson, Nate Frank-Hicks, Gillian Howe, Savanna Yaremchuk, Quinn Levinson, Jaiden Lo, Sophia Wall, Helena Mundstock, Ella Stanger, & Robin Xu. **Alto Saxophone:** Emilio Agostinelli, Raine Orser, Flora Sweeney, Gabe Zack, Connor Roberts, Mira Sobkin, Harrison Starke, Tessa Lovett, & Regan Turner. **Tenor Saxophone:** James Hancock & Deaton Pollock. **Trumpet:** Jillian Betts, Kyle Degelman, Finley Hildebrand, Matthew McCoey, Arran Robertson, Ben Dand, Howard Pollock, Rhys Butterfield, Dylan Sprang, Olivia Morphet, & Max Hoffman. **French Horn:** Devan Duquette & Alyssa Korol-Filbey. **Trombone:** Ethan Fast, Ethan Wharton, Isabelle Berry, Grace Serfas & Connor Karas. **Baritone:** Theo Ruan & Moe Steves. **Tuba:** David Escalante Nava. **String Bass:** Cam Little & Beatrix White. **Percussion:** Benny Blum, Sophie Li, Lainey Hunt, Rishi Kapil, Ethan Chan & Juliet Prosalendis.



Service of Nine Lessons & Carols

December 9th

Debate

The Novice Debate Tournament held at GNS in January (organized by Grade 12s Thomas Watkins and Michael Cooper for 4 local schools) had Team Charlotte Brady and Alexander Muller-Clemm place first. Individually, Charlotte placed first and Alexander third. Another great tournament for GNS debators!

Topics:
"This House Would adopt a digital currency"
"This House Would abolish tipping"
"This House Would permit parents to physically implant tracking devices in their children"

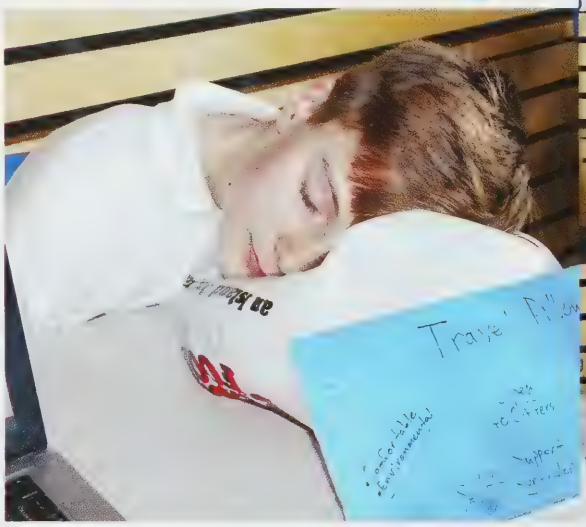
The Vancouver Island Regional Debate Championship was held at GNS in January. We hosted over 250 people in one of the biggest Regionals in recent memory. We are also very proud to announce the following results, demonstrating that when Gryphons roar, they do so in the finest rhetorical style, and are always open to cross examination. – Dr. Phelps-Bondaroff

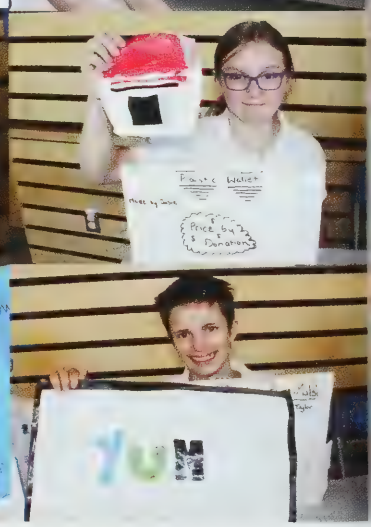
Novice (Grades 7 and 8):
1st - Alexander Muller-Clemm
2nd - Sofie Finn Storan
3rd - Charlotte Brady

Novice Team:
1st - Charlotte Brady and Alexander Muller-Clemm
2nd - Lily Davies and Sofie Finn Storan

Middle School Grade 7 Upcycling!

March 3rd





SOLD
Plastic Bracelets
Plastic Bag Wallet

Staff vs Student Volleyball Game

Girls 6/7 Volleyball

Members included Isabelle Berry, Jillian Betts, Devan Duquette, Gillia Howe, McKenna Lee, Alice Li, Helena Mundstock, Alison Roberts, Calla Roberts, Mira Sobkin, Ella Stanger, Flora Sweeney, Beatrix White, Savannah Yaremchuk, Hannah Sawchuk, Lainey Hunt, Guilia Guiommi, and Alyssa Korol-Filbey.
Teacher Sponsor: Leah Hall
Coach: Jordan Egles & Hazel Shield

The Swim Team had a very successful weekend at the season final Championship Meet at Saanich Commonwealth Place. They joined the Junior Team and cheered it other on. The Middle School Team placed 7th out of 29 schools and the Junior Team placed 2nd. Mr. Mais would like to thank coach Erik Harper who took time out of his busy Grade 12 schedule to lead the team.

SWIMMING

Girls 7/8 Volleyball

Two different teams went out for Jamborees in February. The team members included: Megan Vroom, Katie Hurst, Sienna Yaremchuk, Cassandra Scholpp, Izzy Irvine, Lisa Choi, Annissa Granegger, Dana Escalante, Lily Davies, Lily Brice, Brooke Taylor, Ella Brown, Maddy Davits, Ava Dryden, Mariel Mojica, Elliot Smith, Hannah White, Nya Owen, Vanessa Leibel, Taylor Leong, and Grace Poole.

Teacher Sponsor: Ian West

Coach: Brent Hall

Swimming Team

Grade 6:
Emilio Agostinelli, Miia Bekker, David Escalente Nava, Ethan Fast, Lainey Hunt, Sophie Li, Anya Nadra, Arran Robertson, Mohannah Singh, Regan Turner, Beatrix White, and Savanna Yaremchuk.

Grade 7:
Lily Brice, Francesca Cumberbirch, Ava Dryden, Sophia-Kathryn Glatiotis, Tara Golonka, Grace Poole, Kelly Poole, Dexter Stoiber, and Sophia Vasko.

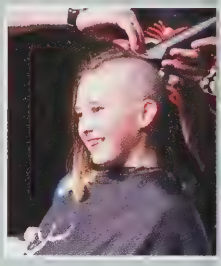
Grade 8:
Eli Agostinelli, Anastasia Castro, Nicole Fast, Annissa Granegger, Maiya Hernandez-Morrison, Chloe Hill-Huse, Tess McCaig, Leo Prosalendis, Ronen Somogyi, Michaela Vandenham, Megan Vroom, Amy Zhao and Sam Zhao.

Teacher Sponsor:
Paul Mais

Coach:
Erik Harper

Head Shave

The Young Round Square organized a head shave and hair cutting event to raise money for Caps for Cancer. The student goal was to raise at least $2000 to donate to the Canadian Cancer Society to help kids with cancer and send them to Camp Camp Trois. Several brave students had their hair cut or shaved including: Matthew Alexander, Ava Dryden, Ethan Ford, Alex Guildford, James Hancock, Finley Hildebrand, Nishi Kapil, Rome Lucas, Catherine Little, Connor Roberts, Jake Sampkins, Brooke Taylor, Giulia Giorno, Tara Colonka, Mariel Monica Reyes, Hannah Sawchuk, Sophia Vasko, and Mr. Alex White. Also, 3 teachers had their heads shaved including: Dr. Gavin Zederayko, Mr. Jake Burnett, and Mr. Damon Henry. Together, the Middle School team raised over $9,000!



ओवरऑल डवलपमेंट के लिए कस्वाई एक्टीविटी बेस्ड लर्निंग

डेली कॉलेज में चल रही राउंड स्क्वेअर कॉन्फ्रेंस में ट्रेजर हंट का आयोजन

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फनई की ग्रुप्स द्वारा ट्रेजर हंट में इस्तेमाल स्टूडेंट्स का ग्रुप अलग-अलग टास्क दिए गए। हर ग्रुप में हमारे स्टूडेंट्स को लीडरशिप और टीम बिल्डिंग स्कील्स की ट्रेनिंग दी गई। इसमें ग्रुप्स को अपने-अपने फोल्ड्स और टास्क दिए गए। स्टूडेंट्स ने टीम स्पर्ट और इंडिविजुअल मेन्टल विकास की जानकारी। लाइफ पार्ट्स में स्टूडेंट्स ने इन्डस्ट्रीज के लिये बहुत कई नये फोटो लगाए और नये गेमर हीरो के फोटोज बने जबकि।

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इंदौर. क्रिएटिव विकल्प का इन्फिनमेंटेशन, एक्टिविटी बेस्ड लर्निंग और पर्सनालिटी व ओवरऑल डवलपमेंट के लिए ट्रेनिंग। शाम को कैम्पफायर में लगी डांस और म्यूजिक की पाठशाला। शुक्रवार को 16 फॉरेन स्कूलों और 26 इंडियन स्कूलों के तीन सौ से ज्यादा स्टूडेंट्स ने एक साथ यह ट्रेनिंग ली। डेली कॉलेज में चल रही नुमियन राउंड स्क्वेअर कॉन्फ्रेंस में ऐसी ही विकल्प की ट्रेनिंग दी गई। इसमें ग्रुप्स तीन पर ट्रेजर हंट, प्लाइट फोल्ड गेम, टीम बिल्डिंग व पेंटिंग जैसी एक्टिविटीज हुई। साथ ही शाम को कैम्पफायर का आयोजन किया गया। इससे पहले कई वॉचिंग और फोन एक्टिविटीज भी हुई।

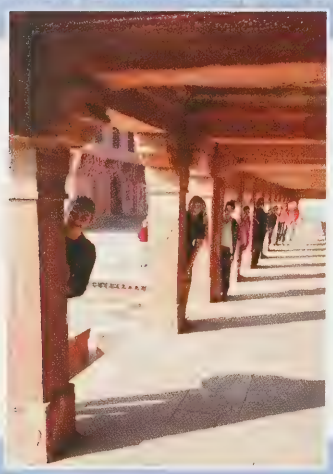
वर्कशॉप आज

गुरुवार 3.00 स्क्वेअर की सेशन्स दिन 7 बजाये तक एक्टिविटीज में उपस्थित हो सकेंगे। जिन्होंने टास्क मेंशन नहीं। ये एक्सेप्टेंस से छूटे

Local news coverage of the Young Round Square Conference at Daly College, India.

India Round Square Conference

An adventurous group of 8 students attended the International Young Round Square Conference at Daly College in Indore, India from January 2nd to 16th. They not only had the opportunity to make friends with students from around the world, they also were able to go on a tour of the Taj Mahal along with participating in various other activities. The 8 students who took part in the conference were: Marisa Smith, Ava Dryden, Landyn Dentford, Federica Di Frassineto, Sophia Vasko, Eli Agostinelli, Caitlin Steves, and Camille Germain. They were chaperoned by Kim Waugh and Jake Burnett.



MIDDLE SCHOOL TIMES

GNS GRYPHONS

Winter Term 2016

Activities

Leadership Conference

Ten grade 8 students had the opportunity to attend the Leadership Conference that was held at SMUS on January 29. These students included: Alec Boegman, Colin MacMillan, Nolan Dempsey, Izzy Macklin, Dana Escalante, Chloe Hill-Huse, Jack DesBrisay, Diego Trujillo Garcia, Izzy Irvine and Sebastian White. The theme of the conference was Grade 8 - Passion to Action, focusing on a variety of topics, such as taking action and initiative, as well as getting to listen to two keynote speakers and participating in multiple break-out workshops.

Young Round Square

Members head off to the Mustard Seed to cook and serve a hot meal on November 27th.

Clubs

Enviro Club

The enviro club has made a lot of headway with the issues they have been addressing,... The enviro club members include: Anastasia Castro, Charlotte Brady, Piramon Tisapramotkul, Grace Poole, Kelly Poole, Rowan Morahan, Patrick Michalak, Vanessa Leibel, Tara Golonka, Giulia Giommi, Lily Brice, LilyAnn Wieczorek, Wesley Lloyd-Kruger, Brooke Taylor, and Taya Lee.

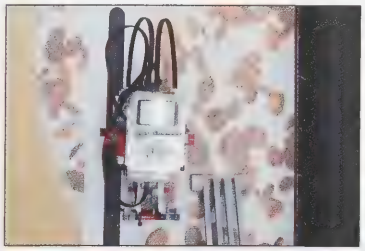
Inventors Club

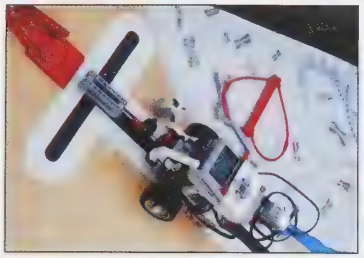
Each session a new group of students tried their hand at designing and programming robots to perform a variety of challenges. The students used iPads to write programs and redesign their robots to successfully complete the different challenges. They used motors and sensors to control their robots and have them autonomously; move prescribed distances, retrieve objects and maneuver through mazes. The club was run by Annie Vallance and Mark LeSurf.

Clubs

Art Club

This year the Middle School Art Club consisted of a wonderful group including: Miia Bekker, Devan Duquette, Sophia Wall, Mira Sobkin, Savanna Yaremchuk, Gabe Zack, Raine Orser, Reina Roh, Lainey Hunt, Dylan Sprang, Flora Sweeney, Harrison Starke, Taya Lee, Sophie Li, Helena Mundstock, Beatrix White, Rishi Kapil, Anya Nadra, Deaton Pollock, Calla Roberts, Quinn Levinson, Reagan Turner, Nate Frank-Hicks, Sraddha Uppili, Rhys Butterfield, Connor Roberts, Olivia Morphet, Annissa Granegger, Sienna Yaremchuk, Sally Jones, and Deandra Livora.

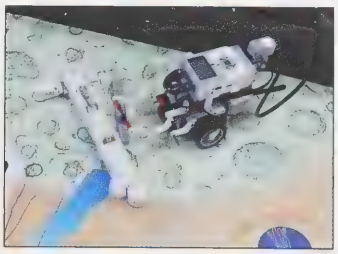


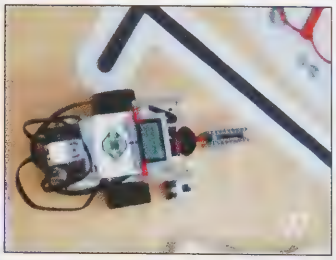


Round Square

Exchange

From January 9 to January 15, Sally Jones and Nicole Fast participated in a Young Round Square Exchange to Lower Canada College in Montreal, Quebec. Then these two students and their families hosted their exchange partners from Lower Canada College from September 26 to October 10.





Grade Eight Gallery of fame

John Windle
Nikola Tesla

Alec Roegman
Erik the Red

Lisa Choi
Audrey Hepburn

Drake Erickson
Walt Disney

Jakob Svorkdal
Lawrence of Arabia

Deandra Livora
Oda Nobunaga

Dana Escalante
Cleopatra

Chloé Lille-Iuse
Ferdinand Magella

Ava Aconiba
Elsa Schiaparelli

Colin MacMillan
John F. Kennedy

Megan Vroom
Eva Peron

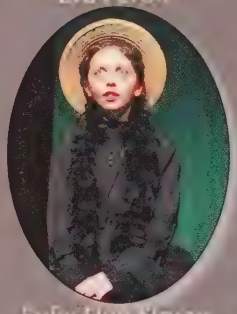
Madeleine Harris
Coco Chanel

Ethan Dickinson
Al Capone

Nicole Fast
Susan B. Anthony

Steve Jin
Leonardo da Vinci

Conor Barclay
George Washington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Emily Davison

Matthew Alexander
Billy the Kid

Melody Cheng
Soong May-ling

Diego Trujillo Garc
Mario Moreno

Ronen Sornogyi
Alan Watts

Sally Jones
Alexander Graham Bell

Izzy Mackie
Katharine Hepburn

Pim Sunthonmongkholkit
Marie Curie

Jackson Miller
Bob Marley

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Malcolm X

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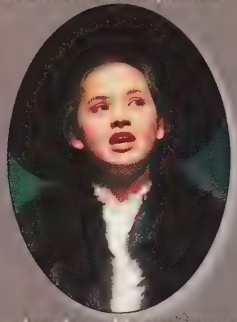
Morrison

Katie Hurst
Rosa Parks


Annissa Granneger
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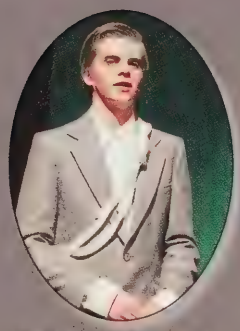
Nellie Bly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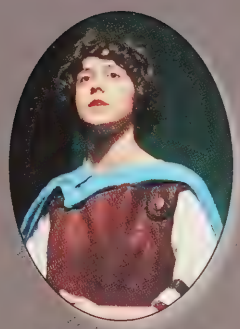
Anastasia Castro
Alexander the Great

Evan Young
Kurt Cobain

Caitlin Stevens
Sappho

Leo Prosalendis
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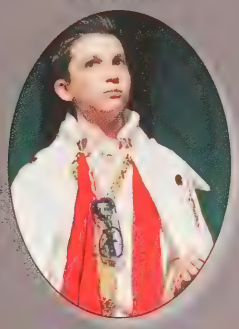
Joey Verner
Elvis Presley

Charlotte Brady
Catherine the Great

William Li
Christopher Reeve

Piramon Tisapramotkul
Mary Somerville

Soleil Watterson
Sacajawea

Nolan Dempsey
Napoleon Bonaparte

Lily Davies
Alan Turing

Jack Deffrey
Sir Winston Churchill

Armando Trujillo Garcia
Emiliano Zapata

Robin Zhang
Alessandro Volta

Finley Armstrong
Jim Henson

Izzy Irvine
Marilyn Monroe

Scott McCollom
Tycho Brahe

El Agostinelli
Biggie Smalls

Cassandra Scholpp
Queen Elizabeth I

Amy Zhao
Empress Wu

Sienna Yaremchuk
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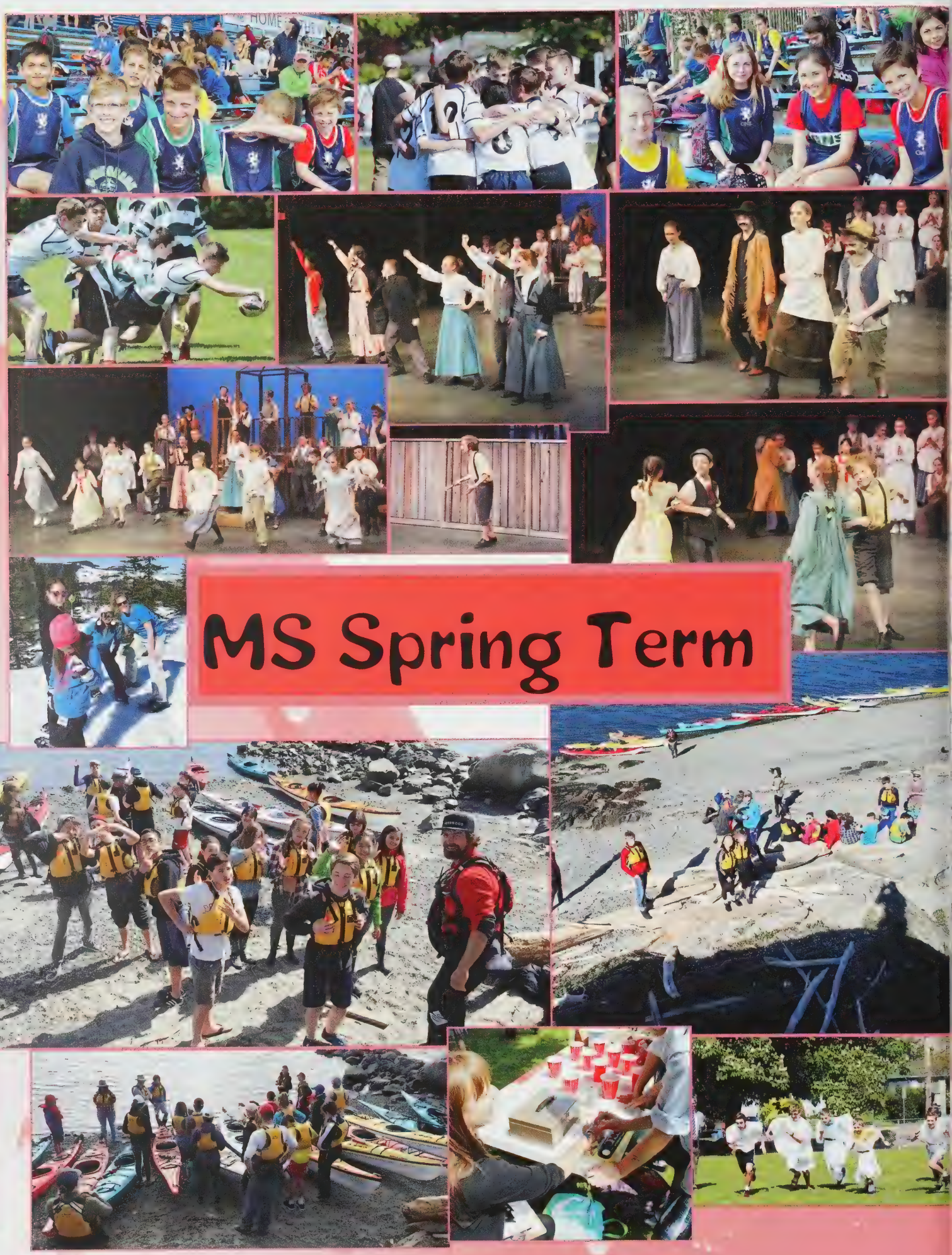


MS Spring Term

6/7 Rugby

The 6/7 rugby team had a busy season participating in a multitude of games and a jamboree. This year's team included: Luke Ballinger, Rishi Kapil, Cameron Little, Matthew McCoey, Connor Roberts, Dylan Sprang, Bennett Cannell, Alex Gonin, Dylan Hemphill-Theriault, Alex Guildford, Finley Hildebrand, Manuel Padilla Castillo, Luke Stanley, Dexter Stoiber, Finnbar Sweeney, and Ethan Wharton, coach Machryan Bos, and teacher sponsor Damon Henry. The boys placed 4th in the city jamboree!

U13 Girls Soccer

The team was coached by Tassy Davidson and Duncan Brice to a 2nd place finish at the West Point Grey Academy Invitational Tournament.

Members included: Lily Brice, Ella Brown, Londyn Denford, Ava Dryden, Tara Colonka, Katherine Hofer, Mariel Mojica Reyes, Nya Owen, Marisa Smith, Elliott Smith, Sophia Vasko, Hannah White, and Lily Weiczorek

7/8 Rugby

The 7/8 rugby practiced twice a week to prepare for their Thursday games and jamboree. The team had a great season with 35 members: Matthew Alexander, Finley Armstrong, Alec Boeeman, Nolan Dempsey, Jack Desfrisay, Drake Erickson, Chloe Hill Huse, Cedric Jedge, Jackson Miller, Leo Proselandis, Armando Trujillo Garcia, Diego Trujillo Garcia, Evan Young, Dylan Hemphill-Theriault, Luke Stanley, Alex Gonin, Alex Guildford, coach Machryan Bos and teacher sponsor Amad Benga.

6-8 Boys Volleyball

This team actually played during Winter Term, coached by Jake Burnett, Damon Henry & Duncan Brice.

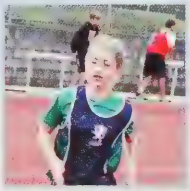
Players included:

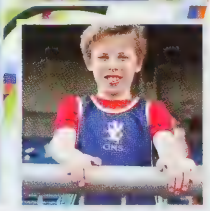
Emilio Agostinelli, Conor Barclay, Josh BowderNolan Dempsey, Connor Elliott, Diego Trujillo Garcia, Alex Gonin, Alexander Guildford, Finley Hildebrand, Nathan Jackson, Cedric Jegede, William Li, Colin MacMillan, Jackson Miller, Deaton Polluck, Connor Roberts, Callum Robertson, Harrison Starke, Dexter Stoiber, Corin Wallace, John Windle, and Gabriel Zack.

Track and Field

Lily Brice, Tara Golonka, Tess Lovett, Gillian Howe, Miia Bekker, Finley Hildebrand, Sam Zhao, Ella Brown, Chloe Hill-Huse, Sebastian White, Makena Lee, Ella Stanger, Hannah White, Luzdana Escalante, Kyle Degelman, Katie Hurst, Brooke Taylor, Ethan Wharton, Devan Duquette, Vanessa Leibel, Ben Dand, Ethan Fast, Elliott Smith, Regan Turner, Matthew McCoey, Connor Elliott, Quinn Levinson, Beatrix White, Dylan Hemphill-Theriault, Savanna Yaremchuk, Mohannah Singh, Sienna Yaremchuk, and Jaiden Lo. Coaches: Jackie Howey and Polly Kemble

Over three Track and Field meets, Kyle Degelman qualified first overall in the city for 2000m, 1200m, 800m, 400m, and 200m. He also qualified third overall for 100m and ith overall for high jump. Since the inception of the Lower Island Middle School Sports Association, no athlete, boy or girl, Grade 6-8 has ever qualified 1st overall for 5 events. At the City Championships, Kyle set a new record for the 1200m at 3:45, winning by over 100m! He also set a record for the 400m!



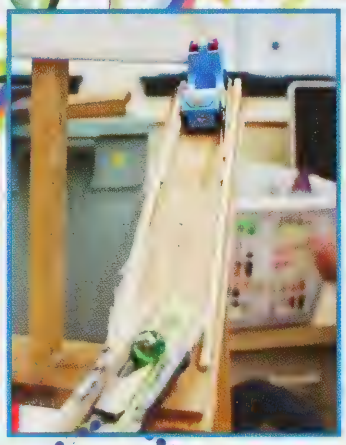


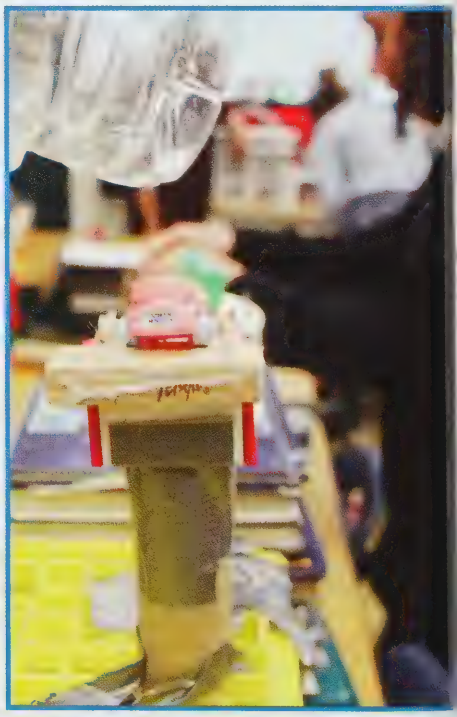
Badminton

Grade 6: Isabelle Berry, Benny Blum, Drew Erickson, Lainey Hunt, Alice Li, Jaiden Lo, Olivia Morphets, Deaton Pollock, Reina Roh, Hannah Sawchuk, Grace Serfas, Sraddha Uppili, and Savanna Yaremchuk

Grade 7: Lily Brice, Ella Brown, Francesca Cumberbirch, Ava Dryden, Connor Elliott, Katherine Hofer, Kelley Poole, Mariel Mojica Reyes, Liam Singh, Marisa Smith, Andrew Wale, Corin Wallace, and Hannah White

Grade 8: Matthew Alexander, Katie Hurst, William Li, Callum Robertson, Megan Vroom, and Sienna Yaremchuk.

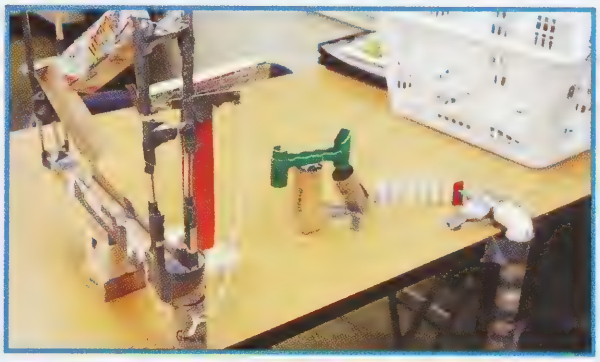


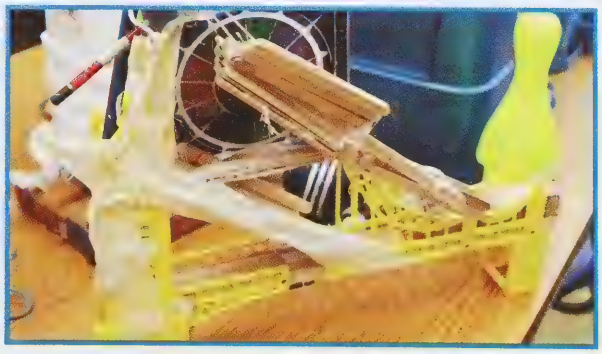


Grade 7 Rube Goldberg Machines

Spring Festival Band Concert & Island Day Tour

All Middle School concert band students shared the music they performed at the Greater Victoria Performing Arts Festival on April 12th and 13th at the Spring Festival Band Concert on April 26th. The Jazz Band held their festival music so they could perform at their Benny Goodman concert Stompin' At the Savoy. On May 27th, the Middle School Concert Band and the Middle School Jazz Band headed up Island to perform concerts at Brechin Elementary school and Kiwanis Village in Nanaimo, followed by a pizza supper and glow bowling at Splitsville in Nanaimo.





Grade 6 Culture Fest

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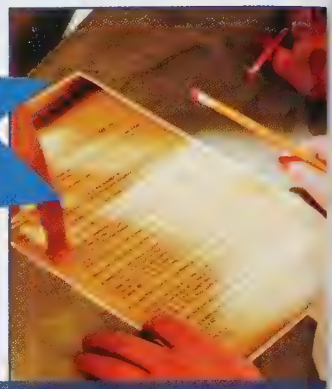
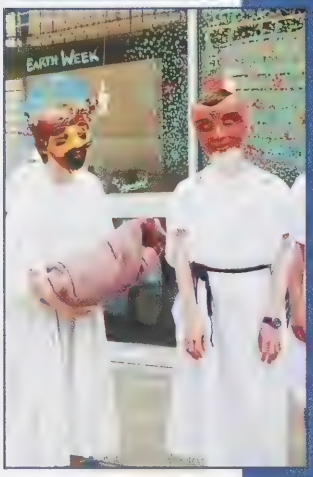
New Zea
ARAB EMIRATES

Greek Day





Grade 7 students celebrated Greek Day on April 27 with an array of activities, such as:
debate,
speeches,
a marathon,
discus throw,
strong throw,
javelin,
standing long jump,
sprints,
high jump,
a drama performance,
a World's Strongest Person" competition,
and even more!

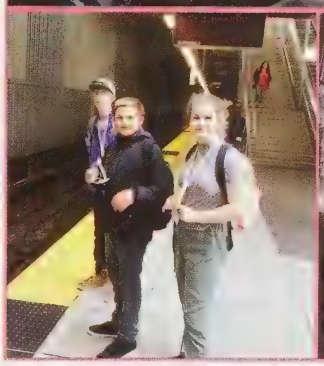
It was a spectacular day, building on and extending past traditions. The students participated eagerly. The greatest element is that the day is woven into our curriculum and is a good reminder of how students are engaged through inquiry and open-minded problem solving, while balancing physical, performance and mental agility within the context.

Grade 8 Marine Adventure Program

Early April was when the 8s had the opportunity to kayak from the Beach campus to Cattle Point.

Young Round Square Conference

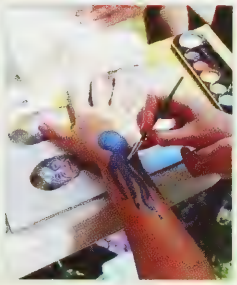
Ismay Macklin, Matthew Alexander and Emilio Agostinelli headed off to this conference with Ms. Waugh. Excursions included and Hop on Hop off tour of San Francisco, the Alcatraz Night Tour, and activities at the Athenian School in Danville, California.

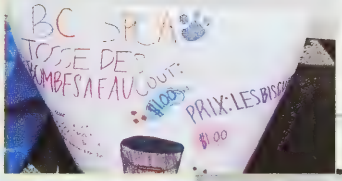


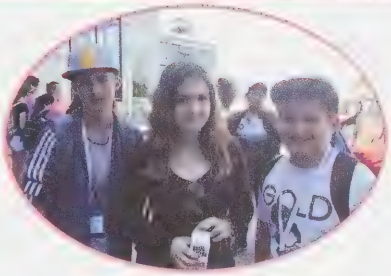
Marché Aux Puces

Le 1 juin 2016, La pelouse entre Atkins et Henderson. Français 4

This annual fundraiser that all the students worked hard to put together incorporated each group choosing a humanitarian organization to support with the proceeds of their stand at which they planned a variety of games to take part in.





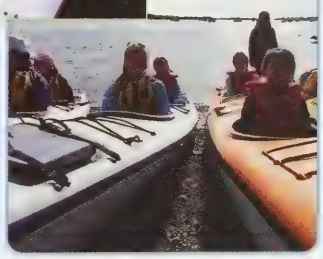


Exchanges

Rachel Lewis and Ore Alugo joined exchange partners Megan Vroom and Bella Cannell at GNS from May 1st to May 14th.

Grade 6 Marine Adventure Program

Students were introduced to canoeing by paddling in Voyageur canoes to Mary Tod Island & Haynes Beach.



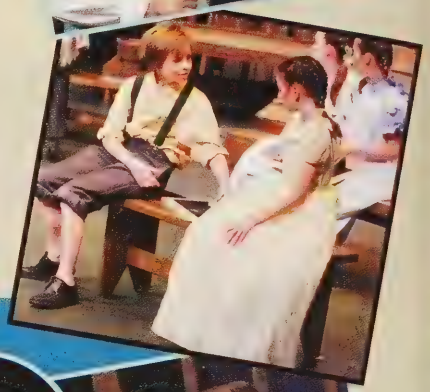
Grade 7 Marine Adventure Program

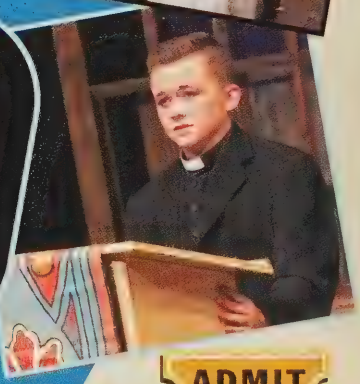
April 13th and 14th had students kayaking the shore from the Beach campus to Cattle Point and back.

Tom Sawyer

adapted from Mark Twain by Sara Spencer, Dramatic Publishing

By jingoes, what a bully time we've had! We travelled back to a simpler time when boys swung rats over their heads for fun, a stray dog's bark was a sign of sure death, treasure could be found under a stump, and picnics were parties. During our travel, Tom taught us important lessons about using our imagination and having the courage to do the right thing. Our adventures also led us to examine our own values, the power of language and the responsibility we have to consider the sensibility of our audience.





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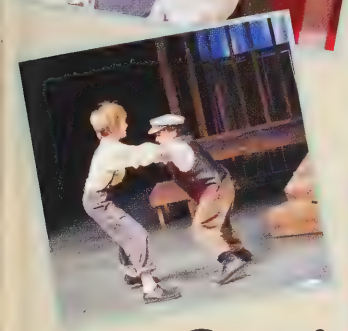
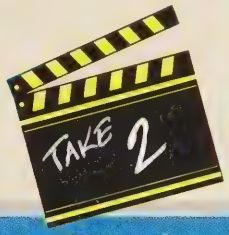
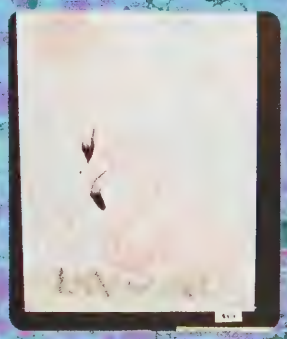


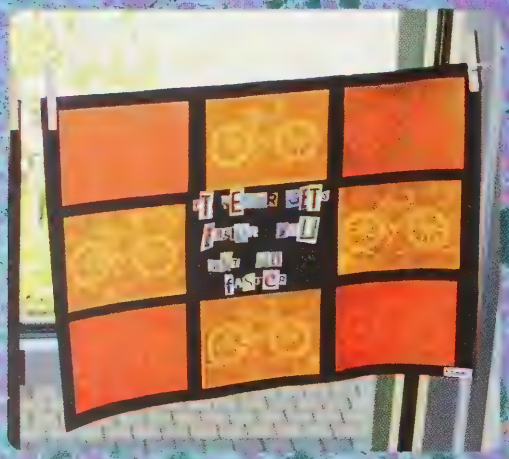
Director, Set & Sound Design.....Kate Pagett
Costumes.....Margaret McCullough
Stage Manager.....Spencer Ronnenkamp
Assistant Stage Manager....Natasha Lloyd-Kruger
Lighting Design.....Rebekah Johnson
Lighting Operator.....Andrea DeMeo
Sound Operator.....Duncan Wallace
Tech Team Support.....Anna Ciceri, Drew Jackson, Millar Smith, Alexander Stead
Video Stream.....Carson Rust
Running Crew.....Gaby Girard, Marissa Smithson, Angus Silver
Fight Choreography.....Adrienne Smook
Set Construction.....Mike Kuss, Mark Pagett
Scenic Artist.....Carole Klemm
Poster and Program.....Cheryl Alexander
Front of House.....Trina Tisot
Ticket Sales.....Kate Dziwenka, Andra Hahn, Melanie Fosdick

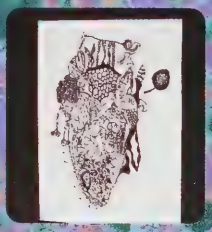


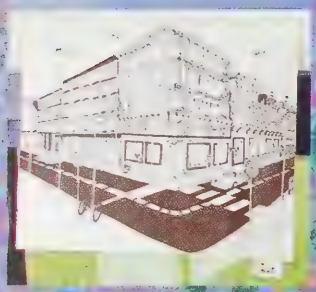
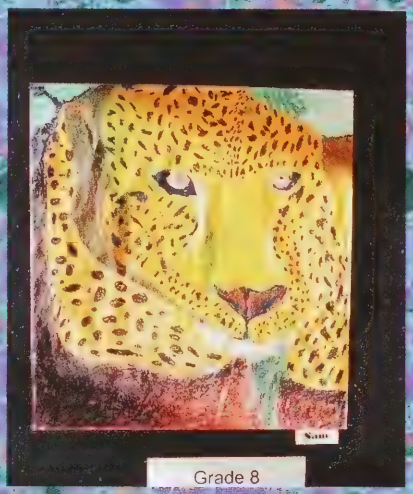
Cast

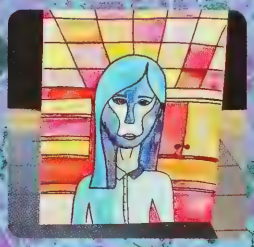
Tom Sawyer.....Corin Wallace
Aunt Polly.....Sally Jones
Huckleberry Finn.....Fiona Morrical
Becky Thatcher.....Alyssa Korol-Filbey
Joe Harper.....Sofie Finn Storan
Mrs. Harper.....Lily Brice
Alfred Temple.....Anya Nadra
Sid Sawyer.....Wesley Lloyd-Kruger
Missouri Joe.....Lily Davies
Muff Potter.....Scott McCollom
Dr. Robinson.....Jacob McIntrye
Miss Dobbin.....Annalise Wall
Mrs. Thatcher.....Francesca Cumberbirch
Preacher.....Cameron Little
Amy Lawrence.....Gabby McPherson
Gracie Miller.....Sophie Li
Susan Harper.....Sophia Glatiotis
Janie Hardin.....Taya Lee
Jim Hollis.....Calla Roberts
Ben Rogers.....Rishi Kapil
Sheriff.....Melody Cheng
Widow Douglas.....Cassandra Scholpp
Preacher's Wife.....Sheila Ellard-Webster
George Walters.....Elliott Smith
Village Children.....Alison Roberts, Connor Roberts

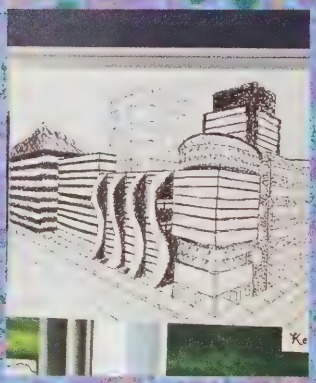
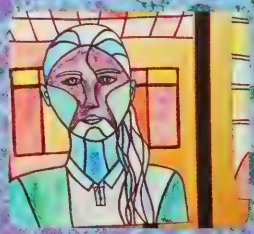








Art Show

Spring Term 2016

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GNS GRYPHONS

Activities

Wizarding Debate

Recognized for skill were: Novice Speakers Sofie Finn Storan, Alexander Muller-Clemm & Charlotte Brady. Novice Teams - Team Troll (Alex MC & Sofie), Team Unicorn (Charlotte & Lily Davies) and Team Nargle (Corin Wallace & Anders Woodruff).

Public Speaking

Andrew Wale, Sophia Vasko and Alexander Muller-Clemm headed to an ISABC Public Speaking Competition in Vancouver on April 21st.

Shawnigan Model UN

Rowan Morahan, Wesley Lloyd-Kruger, Sally Jones, Leo Prosalendis, Ronen Somogyi, Cassandra Scholpp, Conor Barclay & Nicole Fast.

Activities

FrankenDebate

This tournament at Brentwood on May 13th tackled the pressing question of whether artificial intelligence poses a threat to humanity. Great results included: 1st in Team Charlotte Brady & Andrew Wale, 2nd in Team Alexander Muller-Clemm & Anders Woodruff. Individual results - 1st Charlotte Brady, 2nd Andrew Wale and 3rd Alexander Muller-Clemm.

Concours D'Art Oratoire

Amad Benga, Leah Stott and Teale Phelps Bondaroff accompanied a group of students to Simon Fraser University on May 7th for competition. Andrew Wale placed 3rd in Gr. 6/7 Intensive French, and Alexander Muller-Clemm placed 1st in Gr. 7 Francophone!

Teams

Ultimate Frisbee

Students practiced on the turf Monday mornings at 7:15 am and played games after school on Mondays. Coached by Tassy Davidson were: Jack DesBrisay, Jackson Miller, Beatrix White, Bennett Cannell, Max Hofman, Corin Wallace, Calla Roberts, Brooke Taylor, Marisa Smith, William Li, Rachel Lewis, Connor Roberts, Calla Roberts, Mohannah Singh, Callum Robertson, Sienna Yaremchuk, Savanna Yaremchuk, Ethan Wharton, Gabrielle MacPherson, Parker Dix, Ella Brown, Alexander Guildford, Rhys Butterfield, Lily Brice, Alison Roberts, Deaton Polluck, Alex Gonin, Sraddha Uppili, Quinn Levinson, Sebastian White, Alice Li, Nya Owen Diego Trujillo Garcia, and Madison Davits.

GNS Rowing Day

Gr 7-11s had a chance to try out rowing on June 17th as members of the GNS rowing team showed fellow students the skills they had gained by working with Rene Gonin.

Teams

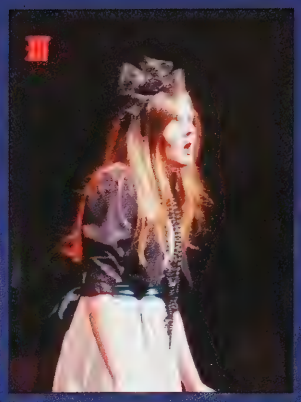
Sailing

Supervised by Paul Mais, these students headed out sailing and to regattas: Ian Ferguson, Tess McCaig, Kelley Poole, Ronen Somogyi, Hannah White, Sienna Yaremchuk and Robin Zhang

Girls Field Hockey

Team members: Erin Addison, Izzy Irvine, Sebastian White, Tess McCaig, Lily Brice, Lily Wieczorek, Taya Lee, Londyn Denford, Francesca Cumberbirch, Tess McCaig, Guilia Giommi, Cassandra Schlopp, Mohannah Singh, Flora Sweeney, Jillian Betts, Annissa Granegger, Katie Hurst, Rachel Lewis, Beatrix White, Ava Dryden, Gabrielle MacPherson, Mariel Mojica Reyes, Hannah White, Savanna Yaremchuk, Sienna Yaremchuk, Sraddha Uppili, Sophi-Kathryn Glatiotis, Brooke Taylor & Regan Turner. Coach Bunny Hughes.

Grade 9



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Mark Barr

Iain Betts

Cassidy Brumby

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Kevin Dang

Fallyn Denford

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Rachel Diment

Noah Fekete

Gaby Girard

Siobhan Golonka

Nicole Gonin

Christopher Graham

Thomas Healey

Sydney Hemphill

Emma Hofer

Ella Hoogewerf

Angelina Huang

David Huang

Nancy Huang

Aniela Jarvis

Nikhilesh Khatri

Christine Kim

Alex Kong

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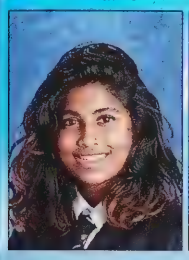

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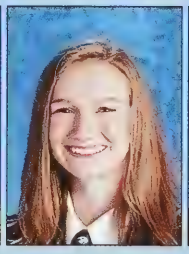

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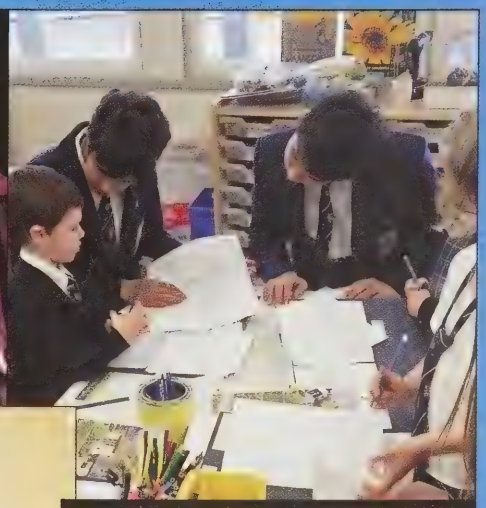

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Grade 10

Kate Addison

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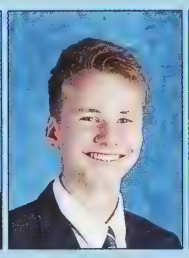

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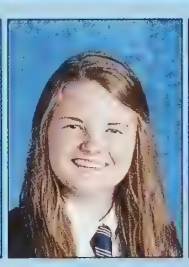

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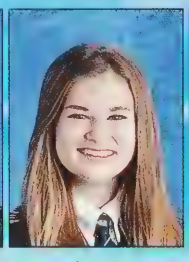

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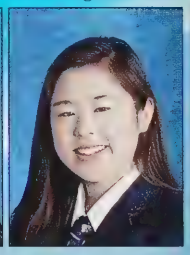

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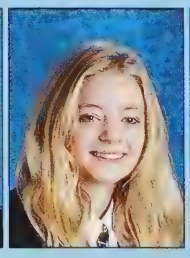

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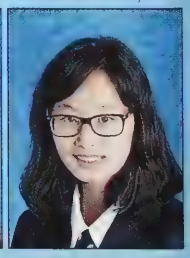

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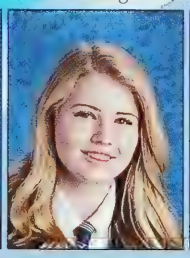
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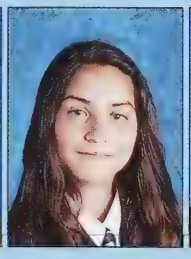
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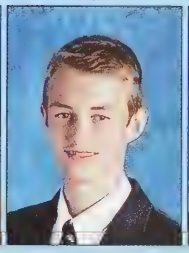
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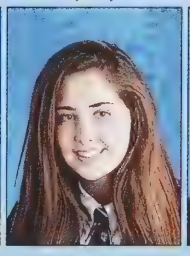
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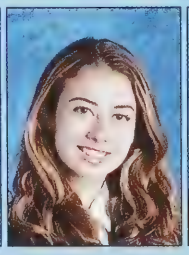
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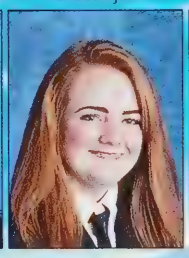
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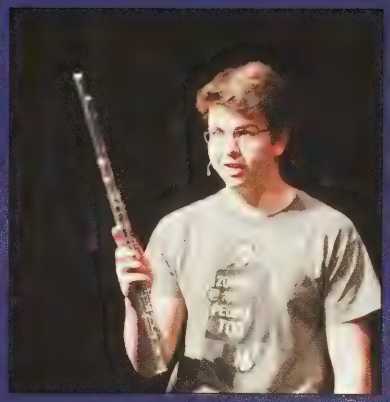

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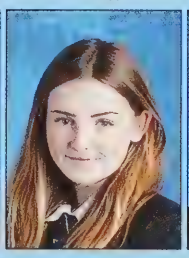
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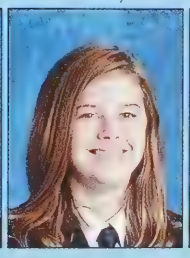
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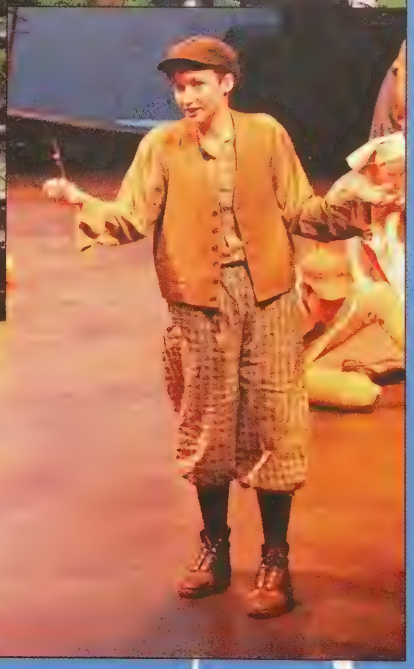


Gr. 1 - 12

Finley Ballantyne

AND HERE HE IS ... the last and best of our Ballantyne boys. A lifer. Our adorable and astute pantheist. Our center of every storm. Our deceptively angelic and perpetually wandering .... Finster. Quick-witted and quick-footed, especially on the soccer pitch. Playing soccer in the snow ... in socks: That's the Finster. Next year, Finley will keep his fast as lightning math skills honed in the world of economics at UBC, and he will leave a vacuum the size of a black hole at GNS.

Gr. 6 - 12

Elói Batista

Elói is the kind of fellow who weaponizes a toy nerf gun to shoot Tai, but also the friendly inclusive guy who reads Mr. Rabbit to small children and eats organic Kale salad with organic carrot shavings and organic chia seeds. His favorite memory of GNS is of Daniel breaking his collarbone on the first day of school. This talented and dedicated athlete is a forward thinker and that is why he travels around Velodromes at near highway speed with no brakes. Next year, Elói's goal is to join the National Cycling Team, bound for the Olympics.

K - 12

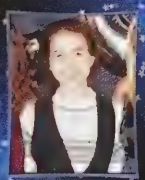
Victoria Bouchard

Victoria, our creative, charming and fashionable Metis princess lifer remembers her time on the beach affectionately, especially the seagull adopted by her grade 5 class and later eviscerated by an eagle. Victoria credits her time in English for showing her that you can be both smart and quirky: you don't have to choose just one. She'll miss trip shenanigans, and flailing in mud during outdoor ed trips, and playing guitar, and flute. Victoria will be creatively writing at UVIC next year.

Gr. 6 - 12

Bailey Brumby

Bailey is interesting. On the one hand, she is the kind, steady one who keeps all her friends grounded and takes younger students under her wing. On the other hand, there is something a little.... mysterious and perhaps even dangerously creative about her. Nothing will faze this ballet dancer turned rugby player - taking on the IB Diploma, travelling to Singapore for Round Square, learning a new sport ... We will miss our Brumblebee as she moves on to study kinesiology at the University of Toronto. Good luck, Bailey!



Gr. 3 - 12

Eirin Caters

When asked to talk about her many accomplishments, Eirin will be at a loss for words; she is a genuinely humble person. You will not hear from her lips how she combined her passion for service, leadership, and adventure by earning her Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award, or that she is a great friend, Service Prefect, and Adventurer - indeed her favorite memories include travelling by dug-out canoe and freezing with friends at regattas. We know more thrilling adventures await Eirin next year at the Smith School of Queen's Business Program.

Gr. 8 - 12

Sky Chen

Nice Guy Sky has won many math competitions, and, we think, will be headhunted by Google one day. His classmates know him as a quiet, reserved fellow but also as someone who has a sly, dry ... and wry ... sense of humour ... He has enjoyed his time with the badminton team, climbing club and choir. Sky hopes to attend UVIC in preparation for his future career as a business mogul. Like his name, the "Sky is the limit" for Mr. Chen, especially when Tony and Zack have his back!

Gr. 10 - 12

Elisa Cheng

Elisa's class notes were as beautiful as the Book of Kells and as erudite as all the math departments' brains combined. Also known as a wonderfully gifted musician, Elisa will miss our 75 cent cookies, teacher's candid remarks, and distracting her friends in the library. Next year, she will study science at UBC and then she plans on travelling the globe. Elisa seems like a calm and studious IB diploma candidate, but we know she is a Tim Horton's fuelled force who will take Vancouver by storm.

Gr. 9 - 12

Mackenzie Cole

Macdaddy shoots - and scores and helps his team to win provincials one mo' time. This lively and audacious lad might agree he is devilishly handsome with a charm like no other: his friends might say he is occasionally annoying. Mac's friends also thought one of his coolest moments was making a diving one-handed catch playing football; best catch ever! This talented athlete will be wearing the blue and yellow of UBC Thunderbirds next year.

K - 12

Michael Cooper

Michael Cooper's eloquence is so great that he placed second in Canadian debate. In the event that Chanel is arrested for a major crime, Michael has agreed to be her lawyer. It is a mark of Michael's quality, however, that his greatest fulfillment derives not from debate prizes or being GNS ambassador or IB diploma candidate, but, rather from coaching younger debaters. Michael Cooper: sincere, determined, clever. Michael will be attending Stanford University for engineering, but ultimately he intends to become an entrepreneur and replace Mr. Wonderful on Shark Tank.

Gr. 8 - 12

Daniel Cumberbirch

Headphones off, Dan? When Daniel first arrived in Grade 8 he was relieved to discover just how welcoming our community was, but fitting in will NEVER be a problem for gregarious Daniel; in fact, he is something of a celebrity in his class, who follow him like the paparazzi snapchatting as he swallows a whole lime on a dare. Dan loves rugby, his tuba AND life and loves to be a part of something bigger than himself. Daniel will attend Camosun College before he transfers into Economics at UVIC in preparation for running his own reality TV show, DANCAM

Gr. 11 - 12

Catalina De Castro

Catalina is our Ecuadorian rare owl - wise and steady beyond her years. Her friends like to say she has sass with class - for quite a long time more gullible teachers actually BELIEVED her when she claimed to be Castro's granddaughter. Beyond her disciplined approach to the diploma, co-founding the Quidditch club, and devoting herself to the fine arts, Catalina is so amiable that she tends to get roped into helping with random tasks. Next year, UBC professors in the engineering department will have the privilege of teaching this gifted young scholar.

Gr. 9 - 12

Adele DesBrisay

Adele is a paradox, and paradoxes can be quite exciting. A bashful and restrained perfectionist, yet bold and brilliant in her thoughts, a sailor who loves to brace herself at the helm against giant waves and wildly creative. Behind the academic prowess and dignified exterior is a Birkenstock and sock wearing time traveller from 1967, singing Pink Floyd on outdoor ed trips, stopping only briefly to eat. Our IB diploma candidate is heading to McGill in September for Environmental Studies.

Gr. 7 - 12

Carly Egan

Blue Skies - you think optimism, forward thinking, you think sailing the family boat solo ... you think... Carly! Soccer player, rock climber, model UN'ER ...We are so happy to have you walk across this stage today, Carly. After a ski accident in March you are recovering with such grace and strength. We wish you all the best in your final stages of recovery and next year in the science program at UVIC, although we know you will miss double study with the other library prefects and shopping and lunch dates with your girls.

Gr. 11 - 12

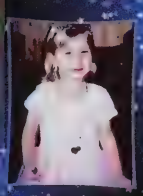
Ariel Elman-Walker

Moving at lightning speed around the globe, our world citizen Ariel has only been at GNS for two years, but she says that it feels like forever, mostly because of the excruciatingly long lunch lines. Whether it be rallying her peers to action on the LEAP team or fighting it out in field hockey and rugby or slogging through snow or the Diploma our spunky sparkly Ariel is an international mover and shaker constantly looking for opportunities to learn and connect with others. Next year Ariel will undertake life sciences at Queens, far, far away from early morning homeform.

K - 12

Megan Ewing

Our lifer Megan is part student, part fiction, she is that character in a novel: the endlessly original and comical girl paid a dollar to put a caterpillar on her tongue for 30 seconds, yet the girl who calms her neurotic friends with sensitivity, empathy and a romantic aesthetic that finds beauty in any situation. Her creative writing and her artwork evoke a sense of whimsy and benevolence - qualities that she will develop as she pursues visual arts at UVIC with minors in creative writing and First peoples' studies.



Gr. 10 - 12

Chris Ferguson

Chris stands up straight and looks you in the eye - he is that kind of courtly gentleman - and, BAM, you are an instant friend, chatting away about all and sundry. "Fergie" has been a strong academic student dropping mad buckets with the GNS basketball team for three years. He will remember his "special" Chemistry class, outdoor Ed surfing, and Costa Rica. His friends recount how much fun their impromptu hotel stay in Dallas was with the broken pull-out bed and a dog in a freezer - nope, I don't understand it either... Next year, Chris hopes to study kinesiology at UVic.

Gr. 6 - 12

Chanel Ghesquiere

Chanel makes everything and everyone around her better. Her grace, her calm, her kindness - each has had a kind of ripple effect there - even her TEACHERS want to be better people in her presence. A stellar student, Chanel is equally at home in the humanities and the sciences. Dance too has been a major part of her life, reflecting her disciplined, creative spirit. Trips to Japan and Quebec are particular highlights. Held with great affection and respect by all, Chanel will make her community better when she enters sciences at UVic with a career in medicine in mind.

Gr. 7 - 12

Erik Harper

Erik is a sweet fellow - until the bell rings and he transforms into his name-sake - the famous beastly Viking, Erik the Red and a fiercely competitive swimmer. Erik has been at GNS for 6 years, 6 years of swimming, photography, creative writing - all the while with an impeccable uniform presentation. Before he leaves, Mr Harper would like to give a shout-out to puppet shows in lit class and yoga in math class. Next year Erik will continue his rigorous training with the goal of joining Team Canada Swim Team.

Gr. 1 - 12

Geoffrey Harper

2005 - a remarkable year - the year when Geoffrey Harper joined the Grade One class at Glenlyon Norfolk School. His peers said "what Geoffrey has done for the school is equivalent to what Prince has done for the music industry" - actually Geoffrey said that. We have been lucky to have many years of soccer playing, witty, adorable, original, cultured and curious - Geoffrey. Next year, Geoffrey will undertake Engineering at UVIC. Alas, we fear there may never be another student who will learn to play the sitar with his feet for his personal project.

Gr. 10 - 12

Hiromitsu Higashi

Hiromitsu requires himself to solve a math problem before he releases a single breath, demonstrating not only his formidable math skills but also his formidable originality. Hiromitsu's favorite memory of GNS - beyond the Diploma - "One day we were playing with kinder toys in IB Physics, and Irvine gently took the toys - and smashed them into pieces with a hammer." Our gentle and unexpected Michael is already a published novelist, so if things don't work out next year at The London School of Economics, he can always write for a living...

Gr. 7 - 12

Alexander Hofer

Our Pennsylvanian born Steelers fan brings his best game to every endeavour. Alex's family sometimes regrets encouraging him to join debate, but they've learned to live with his counter arguments, because this young man uses his good humour and smarts for the greater good. While he is engineering at UVic next year, Alex will remember jumping out of Bryn's locker, making an omelette (in his underwear) during an IB exam and growing grape mould with Hideaki and Evan on campus...for two years....

K - 12

Kiara Hopkins

A wild cheetah once wandered into Kiara's African bedroom, and she was found patting it gently and her charms have tamed us ever since. A dedicated "lifer", Kiara capped off her athletic career at GNS by leading as our female Games Captain prefect. A gold Duke of Edinburgh Award winner, this athletic scholar enjoys the camaraderie of her fellow students, the inspiration of her teachers, and a very good cup of London Fog tea - without sweetener of course. We wish Kiara the best this fall as she enters the Gustafson School of Business at UVIC.

Gr. 7 - 12

Sedona Janzen

Sedona is one of those people you never forget - confident, outgoing, fierce and funny; she has the best and wildest laugh at GNS. Cherished memories for Sedona range from academic ones - bad chemistry jokes and "The Heritage Minute" in Socials 10; to international ones, the 2013 Italy trip; to more basic ones of food "Pierogi Wednesdays" and rest, "Sleeping in the Library." Sedona will commence humanities at UVIC.

K - 12

Konnor Klashinsky

In Grade 9, Konnor accidentally read the entirety of Homer's Odyssey for his "youth literature" choice text. In grade 11, he turned mid performance tech maintenance into improvisational theatre. This year, he became Victoria's Youth Slam Champion. An actor, poet, movie maker, DJ, and recently music producer, he is an artist in every sense of the word and his role in life is to upstage us mere mortals. Konnor aims to travel to Melbourne Australia next year to work, live, perform and continue his pursuit of monster trucking.

K - 12

Lynaea Koról-Filbey

Lynaea is known for her dynamism, creativity, love of adventure - on and off the water, and on and off the soccer pitch. Lynaea loves to learn and would rather write a literary commentary than do most anything. If this makes Lynnea sound toomature,however, then think upon this: she shares an imaginary dog named "Fleecy" with Adele. As for future challenges beyond The IB diploma, Lynea will study arts and sciences at McMaster University and she will miss GNS and friends such as Moony, Wormtail and Prongs.

K - 12

Nathan Kuehne

Nathan Labwalker's facial scar is the result of a light sabre battle with Darth Weaver. It is a relief that Nathan has the capacity to be truly goofy, because otherwise our head boy's breathtaking array of talents would be too daunting - basketball, TEDx speaking, award-winning dancer, speaker of multiple languages - including Russian for his personal project - and making life-changing discoveries in the UVIC science lab. We all look forward to seeing what he innovates in the University of Toronto science program.

Gr. 7 - 8 & 10 - 12

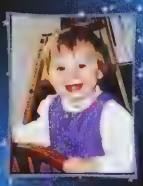
Olivia Kwasny

Olivia has a lot of personality for such a tiny frame. Her initials are "OK" - and she does seem to be OK, smiling in the face of trials and tribulations the perpetual optimist. Olivia is internationally minded, having lived around the world; after her year in Dubai she had to wear 8 layers of long pants against the Victoria damp. As Olivia enters Carleton University in Ottawa to study Cognitive Science, she will remember her soccer and field hockey teams, and she will miss all her friends and her cats Lola, Crunchy and Georgi.

K - 12

Anna Letkeman

Anna is a superb athlete who balances track and her competitive training for swimming with her academic demands. She is a quiet, kind girl with tenacity. A GNS lifer, Anna will remember playing on the beach in Junior School, Camp Qwanoes in Middle School and her cookbook of cakes from around the world for her Personal Project. She has appreciated the small class sizes at GNS and how friendly everyone was to her. She will attend UVIC for humanities and swim on their Varsity team.



Gr. 10 - 12

Jeremy Liu

Jeremy's personally engraved headboy campaign pencils, t-shirts and laminated posters have become collector's items. Unphased by petty rules and unafraid of self-promotion - that's Jeremy. Endlessly gregarious - only at GNS for 3 years, but official friend of every classmate and teacher. His spirited personality makes him fun to be around and explains why he has been involved in so many activities. He says he is too young to get married so he will go to McGill University to study science.

Gr. 10 - 12

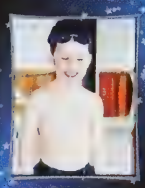
Tony Liu

Tony is a sweetie, arriving at a homeform dinner with his own homemade cheesecake scattered with rose petals. He is also one of the most patient people you will meet - unless he is driving around in his red mustang during slow motion Oak Bay foot traffic. He has been a generous member of the GNS community, giving his time and exceptional piano talent to enhance the school's productions. As someone who has conquered the Diploma, we know Tony will cope admirably with engineering at UVIC, and if not, he will be wearing his red velvet tuxedo jacket in Vegas.

Gr. 6 - 12

Aiden Longcroft-Harris

Very funny - sometimes not on purpose - Aiden Longcroft-Harris, or Longcraft-Savage believes his friends view him as "an ambitious and holistic thinker". This supports his favorite memory at GNS which was "arguing the true significance of Speed-the-Plow in English". Aiden wants to study economics at UVic and will continue triathlon training year-round. He has competed internationally in his age group and specializes in the raging RANT, triggered by random words uttered by Maddie. Will he be the next wolf of wall street OR An olympic triathlete ... or perhaps both....



Gr. 11 - 12

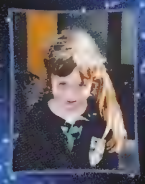
Rory Macklin

Rory had only been at school for 1 day in Grade 11 when he became the face of GNS. His jolly carefree LOUD persona belies his serious scholarship as he wrestled with his IB diploma. If you find Rory lost in a book, it will be a book about fish. Not a book about ordinary fish like trout, but, rather, a fish like the Devil's Hole Pupfish. That is - curious and comical ... whether editing the Gryphon or tackling on the rugby field. Next year, Rory's raucous laugh will echo in the marine biology program at Dalhousie, where he goes to study even rarer fish.

Gr. 9 - 12

Caleigh Macpherson

Caleigh is our Amazonian Queen - while she may not have the height - she does have the capacity for fearless leadership. As our dedicated 2016 Grad Prefect, she make events authentic and fun for all. For "Big Cailz" good memories include many soccer and field hockey trips with her friends; we have appreciated her inclusiveness, school spirit and athletic grit. In the fall, Caleigh will become a UVic Vike as she commences her business degree.



K - 12

Madelynn Marchildon

At the age of 4, Maddie told her mum she didn't like sports because they "made her sweat too much" but then dedicated herself to the field hockey team for 4 years. All future SAC prefects will have to live up to Madswag's glowing reputation: she bosses everyone around - yes - but she is the boss we always wanted: optimistic, humourous, inventive and lively. Maddie works to her own personal best, mastering the perfect balance of work hard/ play hard. After Maddie graduates from UVic's business program, we choose HER to rule the world.

Gr. 10 - 12

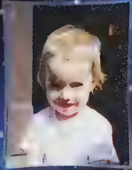
Krislene Rose Mariano

If risk taking is something we champion around here then Krislene's story is worth celebrating. Arriving from the Philippines in May of 2013 with little English and many more doubts, Krislene quickly embraced both challenges and opportunities. She made friends, made people smile, and ultimately made it all work. Rugby player, volley baller, artist, cultural club prefect, and very hard worker, this young woman is much admired. Krislene will study science at UVic. Thank you for taking a chance on GNS, Krislene.

Gr. 9 - 12

Victoria Martens

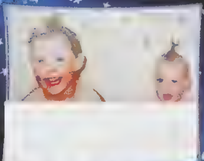
Victoria likes to snuggle - she cares about people and community. Basketball, field hockey, outdoor ed., Costa Rica adventures - this Gryphon packed a lot in - even making her own surfboard for her personal project. Dedicated and loyal, Victoria was THE superfan at boys basketball games. Lit class, the library and bacon fry ups have all made her Grade 12 year better. Her great energy and warmth will serve Victoria well in her studies at UVic this fall in preparation for a career in interior design.



Gr. 9 - 12

Ellie McLeod

When asked about Ellie all her peers would say was "aaaaaaaaaaaww wwww". Winner of the smartest baby award AND the humblest baby award AND the baby with the best smile award, all of us feel rightfully proud of Ellie. Surprisingly, Ellie's proudest moments do NOT lie in her breath-taking academic achievements in pursuit of her diploma, but rather in her successful chicken breeding program and invention of the GNS quidditch club. Next year Ellie will study sciences at the University of Victoria. Ellie is a keeper!



Gr. 6 - 12

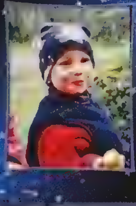
Tessa Mitchell

Tess walks the halls of GNS with confidence and joy - and a touch of rebelliousness - much to the combined delight and chagrin of her teachers. She leaves a green legacy as Environmental Prefect, a legacy sometimes expressed in exceptional visual arts projects. Miss Robertson calls her a leader on the rugby team and tough as nails, noting that those long legs have run the team straight to victory. Our warm and compassionate Tess plans on Camosun College with the goal of nursing so that she can study impressive injuries rather than sustain them.

K - 12

Anders Murray-Hemphill

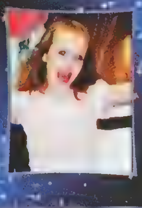
Nobody ever gets mad at Anders, even though they should. They CAN'T get mad, because he has made us so happy with his quirky sense of humour, stage presence and good cheer. He is a one-man band who has wowed us with his unbelievable number of commitments in the arts, academics and athletics. There is no doubt that adventure awaits him, whether it be on the climbing wall, in the mountains or on the water in his future career in The Coast Guard. Parents, this is your last chance to nab this perfect specimen for your graduate: Ander's number is . . .



Gr. 11 - 12

Antonia Neatby

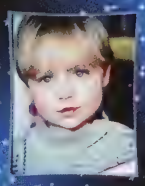
Antonia is her classes' squad-mom, always trying to take care of all her many naughty children. A creative force field, Antonia will immediately start drawing - beautifully - on any piece of paper given to her - even if it is a math quiz. She writes and composes songs and sings songs and plays the ukulele and acts up a storm. In the words of Vincent, she is "bae" - which for those au fait with hipster terminology means "before anyone else" .... Next year Antonia will study film animation at Concordia University in Montreal.



K - 12

Keaton Ollech

Keaton is living proof of the beneficial relationship between music and math... As a gifted pianist, he can break your heart with his sensitivity, and as an academic student, he can boggle your mind with his rigorous intellectualism. This all makes him sound intimidating, but under all the talent, Keaton is a nice guy with a goofy streak. We will miss his leadership as this year's Round Square Prefect; he will miss hanging out at Geoff's and service at Woodwynn Farms. We wish Keaton well but worry what will happen to his 5 pianos when he is at Stanford University studying science ... and music.



Gr. 6 - 12

Tai Orser

Mr. Orser, aka Tai Dollars, aka Tai Bean aka Tai Awesome is famous in his class for marathon mine-crafting with Lewis Hinton and Jack Wild. He was a stalwart in athletics, especially basketball, making him a natural fit for games captain in his Grade 12 year. Our loyal Tai is particularly fond of the many relationships he formed - especially with his basketball - and says that he will miss the tight knit community of our school. We will miss him right back, as he heads off for economics at UVIC.

Gr. 7-8, 10 - 12

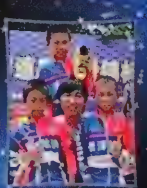
Tygre Patchell-Evans

Tygre is quiet in class, but when she is 'hyped', say her friends, she is a lover of spontaneous adventure: "let's go find a unicorn", she is wont to say. As a dedicated dancer she also understands self-discipline and tenacity, and these qualities shine in her character. During her years at GNS, Tygre has made lasting friendships and enjoyed her involvement in Round Square, SAC, and teaching junior school dance. She has been accepted to Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, California and will study Communications there next year.

Gr. 11 - 12

Kai Peng

On his first basketball trip, Kai was the team manager who missed the bus and on the second hid himself in the luggage compartment: in the end, he surprised us with his great basketball skills. He is a surprising fellow - this year, he reinvented himself again and struck the Fine Arts Dept like a bolt of talented lightning. Next year, Kai plans on getting his driver's license - not in Victoria, but in the quiet streets of Boston – (we're raising our eyebrows) - and then experiencing a new culture and coastline at Bentley University. Kai will miss the daily laughter at GNS.



Gr. 11 - 12

Samara Piercy

Because of her fierceness on the soccer field, Samara broke her toe - twice - and was thereafter called "Big Toe" - among other strange nicknames - by her soccer coach. She has a sunny, happy go lucky approach to life yet, too, a core of integrity and purposefulness. Some of Samara's best memories are of sports and attending the Round Square Conferences in Bali and Singapore: what hasn't Samara done in her two years at GNS? She will also remember her time in PE 12 as the only girl amongst all those boys. In the fall, Samara will study science at the University of Alberta.

Gr. 6 - 12

Andre Prescott

Andre was knighted by Anders on an outdoor ed trip and thereafter has been known as Sir Peckscott the Brave. He has Ah, such sweet memories - getting swole at the gym with the boys and blissed out in Clayquot Sound. When our shining knight was not teaching swimming he was involved in a plethora of sports and outdoor activities at GNS. This dedicated academic and caring young knight will ride off to the University of Calgary to study biochemistry and the art of chivalry.

Gr: 8 - 12

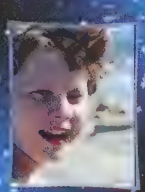
Brennig Prevost

Brennig joined us in Grade 8 and has dominated in every aspect of life at GNS ever since. Our unassuming Welsh Warrior is not one to toot his own horn, so we will toot it for him. Brennig is a provincial level athlete in rugby, and someday hopefully will be wearing the maple leaf on his jersey. He is also a founding member of the GNS lifting club and the kind of guy who offers you a chew of his own bubble-gum. Next year Brennig will study Geology at UVic.

Gr. 10 - 12

Nicholas Roethel

Each day, in exactly the same way, Nick opens up his special yellow plastic banana holder for his daily banana intake. This is so Nick - adorably idiosyncratic. In his 4 years at GNS, "Nicker" has brought this sense of humour to the Climbing team, the Gryphon, the S.A.C., and yes, even The Diploma. The Thompson homeform will remember his love of Jimmy Fallon and his optimism that the HF would EVENTUALLY win SOMETHING. Next year, our kind-hearted and tenacious scholar Nick will study Engineering at UVIC.



K - 12

Spencer Ronnenkamp

It is hard to imagine another GNS student who has given as richly & generously to our drama program, both on or off stage. Who else but Spencer would have staggered through Hamlet with a broken leg and no crutches? Who can forget the power he projected in Agamemnon, his gentle, wise Rabbi in Village of Idiots or his startling turn in pantyhose and heels in Bye, Bye, Birdie? A keen intellectual as well as a comic genius, Spencer's talents take him in pursuit of an engineering degree at UVic. Take a big bow, Spencer and thanks for the memories.

Gr. 6 - 12

Trevor Rutherford

We love Trevor, but not for his punctuality. As Mr Brown liked to say, "do you know who else was late, Trevor? – all the people who didn't make it off the Titanic." Tardy he may be, but Trevor is a smart and charming lad with a penchant for the original - he learned to ride a unicycle for his personal project and his rubber chicken hatched eggs during music festival! Favorite memories are of tromhones and band-trips. Trevor plans to attend UVIC's combined music composition and computer science program.

Gr. 11 - 12

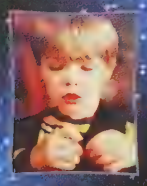
Max Sainsbury

"The Mountain's" full legal name is Maxwell William Shooting Star Sainsbury; named as his grand-father noted he was born during the arrival of the Hale Bopp comet. He confesses that his parents may have been hippies at that time. This celestial event may explain his love for all things science and math. One day while writing yet another physics test in ACT, Max forgot his calculator - a disaster for most - but not for Max because he is a mathematical prodigy with a calculator in his head. "Shooting Star" will blaze brightly as he works toward a degree in either computer science or engineering.

K - 12

Rachel Sawchuk

Rachel always has wet hair, because she is either in the pool or just out of the pool. Those aren't black eyes - they are goggle marks. Because Rachel is formidably organized and always gives her personal best, she can juggle the daunting demands of competitive swimming with a heavy IB load. She is the kind of steady person you want if you are shipwrecked on a desert island. Rachel will continue to swim next year at Western University, where she joins the management and organization program.



K - 12

Jack Schneider

Jack Schneider. Lifer. Historian. Film critic. Writer. Politico. Student... sometimes. athlete... sometimes. Bodybuilder, full-time.

Please note that this short blurb represents a direct order from Jack. He is a rebel – with a cause and we salute him.

Gr. 11 - 12

Laura Schulz

Independent, fashionable, and unbelievably involved, Laura packs more into one day than you do in a week. Our Swiss Diva came for a three month exchange, but two years and one IB diploma later, this driven, sophisticated young woman is setting the pace for her generation. She will be taking her experiences from Model U.N. - and history seminars with tea and cookies - into the History program at McGill, where we know she will bicycle the streets of Montreal with flare.

Gr. 7 - 12

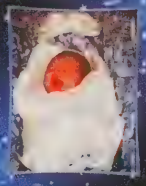
James Shillington

Tai says that after James cut off his mullet, he became cool although Finley disagrees. James has worked hard to become an articulate student-athlete. Mr. Stanley comments that Jamie is one of the all-time greats in GNS rugby lore while Jamie himself confesses that secretly, he is a complete nerd who likes tearing up while watching romantic comedies with Brennig. He also says that after graduation from U of T's business program, he plans to "live a little", but his teachers hope this gifted writer will write the first of many award-winning screenplays.

Gr. 2 - 12

Clare Venn Skillman

In Grade 2, Clare was busted for skipping class because she was reading Greek mythology and lost track of time. Since then, she has continued to be a rebel, in the best way. Clare is gifted in both the creative and academic realms: she played in the acclaimed Vic High R&B band, slammed, and kept a job, all while maintaining top grades and completing her IB diploma. This "sassy femme fatale" (to quote her pal Antonia) plans to study biochemistry at UBC and draws inspiration from a quote by David Bowie: "I don't know where I am going from here, but I know it won't be boring."



K - 12

Liam Stanley

Liam Robert Stanley's commitment to athletic excellence has yielded impressive results; he travels the world representing BOTH the Canadian Men's Para Soccer Team and Track teams. He was the Canadian Para Soccer player two years in a row, AND he might race the 800m and 1500m in Rio. In September, hopefully with an Olympic medal around his neck, Liam will begin the Exercise and Wellness Program at Camosun College. Liam aspires to become a trainer for disabled athletes who would like to reach their true athletic potential.

K - 12

Alexander Stead

It's a bird, no it's a plane - no - it's Alexander Stead single handedly piloting his plane - which he has done since his mid-teens. His zen-master persona is also key to the Tech Team where he deals stoically with recalcitrant lighting and sound technology in the Hall, while also mentoring the latest wild and crazy cohort of tech kids into the cult of calm hands. Our lifer will have good memories of The Climbing Club, spending too much time in Chemistry labs, and getting soakers in the sea at the Beach. Alex will study psychology at UVic next year.

Gr. 3 - 12

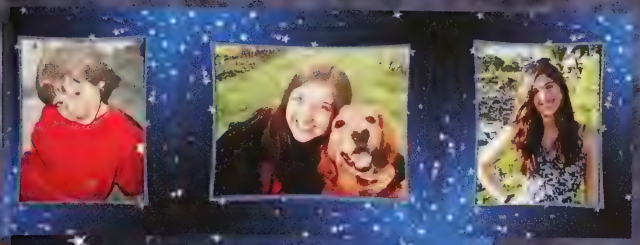
Annika Svorkdal

Annika is best known for two things: one, for being a natural leader and thus one of the best head girls ever, and two, for raising sheep for her personal project. She also ran the rowing crew and developed a love for outdoor treks, dry socks ... and sheep. Annika has cheerfully balanced her strong academic results with a full load of socializing, mooching off everyone's snacks in the hallway buffet, sheep, Tea Time Tuesdays ... and sheep. Annika will study science at UVIC next year and we know they will welcome this unbelievably capable girl ... and her sheep.

Gr. 6 - 12

Hideaki Tanaka

Hideaki was not supposed to be on the Vancouver Theatre Trip, but 12 hours in, poof ! - he manifested in his earthly body. Hidi, as his friends and teachers affectionately refer to him, is an easy-going - and surprising - a guy who enjoyed Frisbee and relaxing in the Library and hideous Band vests from the early 90s that he discovered in storage and adopted as his own personal take on Band Fashion.He will fondly remember the band trip to Hawaii and almost killing Dan in the Scott gym with an exercise ball. We will miss Hideaki's warm, genuine nature as he saunters off to UVic.



Gr. 6 - 12

Megan Thompson

Megan, famous for screaming wildly when waved at by Justin Trudeau, wins the prestigious "overcommitted student of the year award"; she is the student who rose to the occasion in countless ways, especially in her roles as yearbook editor and band president. Megan tries her best in everything, and her best is very good indeed. Her friends will miss her loyalty and compassion, and we will all miss Meejan's leadership and integrity as she heads off on her Harley to be a Hollywood stuntwoman - oops we mean to UVic to complete a social sciences degree in preparation for law.

Gr. 5 - 12

Evan Thoms

Maddy's mum thinks Evan would be the perfect boyfriend because he once shook her hand in Starbucks. Evan's friends tell us they envy his ability to avoid trouble with his bashful choirboy good manners - but they also tell us he is famous for off-side jokes and large boxes of Eggo waffles kept in Tai's family fridge labelled: "Evan's - don't touch". A friendly fellow, he is as happy to kick a soccer ball around as he is to sing beautifully in a school musical. Evan will enter Carlton University in Ottawa next fall to study engineering, focusing on Sustainable and Renewable Energy, and we know they will be pleased to have him.

Gr. 6 - 12

Sebastien Trinckvel

Do you hear the faint sound of whining? Welcome Sebastien Trinkvel - or Sassbastien, Trashbastien, Cibaa, Little Sebby, or Sebikens - a non-computerized GPS machine who has memorized the maps and geography of the entire world. He is our cultured, fastidiously well dressed, prickly cactus IB diploma candidate who likes to sip matcha at Just Matcha with Diane and Megan, and Tiffany and Kip, the owners. After careful research of the location of the very best cafes, Sebastien has chosen Concordia in Montreal for urban planning.

Gr. 8 - 12

Kealy Troje Hoyt

Kealy likes to facetime and manage the instagram account for her beloved cat, Pumie. She - Kealy that is, not the cat - sings, plays piano and trumpet, plays all sports and can box too - yet this list does not come close to the wonder of Kealy. Before she heads off for science studies at UVIC, we would like to honour her with this little poem by her friend Megan: She giggles when she beats you up, As happy as a buttercup. Known as Tigger, our bouncy friend, Has fun fun fun - there is no end, She makes you laugh contagiously, All the time outrageously.

Gr. 9 - 12

Jackson Vesey

It could be argued that, much like a discerning athlete, Jackson chose to expend his energies judiciously during the first part of his high school career - mostly in lifting club and rugby. Ultimately however, Jackson was like a flower bud that blossomed into academic glory this year. "Big J's" fondest memories revolve around his expansive circle of friends and the weekly ritual of wings at the "Tartan Toque". And, come September, after Jackson has left for humanities at UBC with the hopes of studying International Relations, we will feel the absence of this amusing and personable young man.

Gr. 10 - 12

Duncan Wallace

Duncan is a character. Unfortunately, there is no story we can repeat about Duncan for a prime-time audience - except perhaps the rumour that he had set up his own household for the gnomes who live upstairs in the ceiling - or tech booth. Seriously, he DOES look after the needs of others before himself, giving countless hours to our school. He is also a serious and astute fellow who can elevate classroom discussions, walking the line nicely between brilliant intellectualism and class clown. Next year Duncan will be studying engineering at UVic; thank you for brightening our days and lighting our stages, Duncan.

Gr. 10 - 12

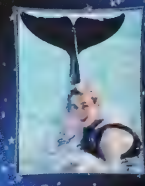
Zackary Wang

Zackary Wang inquisitive, cheerful and always ready for an in-depth chat is fascinated by psychology and the study of the brain - especially his own. He was all about the learning when it came to the Diploma, and all about the money when it came to the investment club — and his peers tell us he is so good on the computer that he COULD hack into the FBI main frame - the rumour is he has already done so..... His home next year will be Bishop's University to study neuroscience.

Gr. 8 - 12

Thomas Watkins

Thomas is bigger than life, and has been a magnetic presence at GNS. Whether in debate or in his many roles in musicals and plays, Thomas displays his wit, intellect and artistic talents. This, along with his secret weapon, a giant box of Cheerios, got him through the tough times during the IB Diploma year. Thomas will pursue an engineering degree next year at The University of Waterloo, and we know he will be the first ever REALLLY charismatic engineer.



Gr. 5 - 12

David Weaver

David is cool - not hipster cool, but deep down charismatic interesting cool - for example, after being ordered not to dunk in basketball, David did dunk and fell and bruised his kidney, but then used this anecdote to win a national debate. Again, not hipster cool. Our exceptional academic David gets quite teary about GNS memories: "the pancake breakfast. I love the pancake breakfast." He will undertake honours in History with a minor in Economics at the University of Ottawa next year where his future holds 2 options: make the world a better place OR make a fortune.

Gr. 1 - 12

Joe Whysker

In trying to sum up the conundrum of Joe's "Joeness," his peers came up with words like "jokester" and "scrappy". Yet "Mini Whiskers" is also a sophisticated and suave young lifer who is especially proud of winning soccer provincials 3 years in a row. We are sure that next year, Joe will be on the soccer field once again while attending UBC to pursue humanities.

Gr. 4 - 12

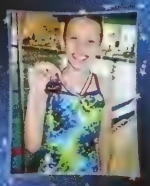
Diane Woo

Diane likes to circuit walk to Just Matcha, the other GNS campus, where she entertains her friends with the funny random things she says. "The Woo" is no flibbertyjibbet, however - rather, an intelligent girl who knows how to work hard and master the IB diploma. Diane has enjoyed band and will take away fond memories of Biology - even if she bungled all her labs. That has not stopped Diane from choosing to study Biology at The University of Toronto next year.

K - 12

Eric Yvorchuk

Quiet and focused math and physics IB diploma wiz by day - acting, singing, dancing livewire by night. His favourite memories of his LIFETIME at GNS include such prestigious roles as a bug named Dr. T.E Wogglebug, Lazar Wolfe in 'Fiddler on the Roof, and "the cool guy" in La La Love. Next year, Smash bros champ Eric is looking forward to finishing Xenoblade Chronicles X, getting a job, and starting his studies at UVic. Encore, Eric!



Gr. K - 12

Tabitha Zammit

A lifer at GNS, Tab is very ready to leave the nest. Those who take the time to get to know Tab will see that beneath her poised, independent exterior is a vibrant, interesting and caring personality, revealed through her explosive visual art, clever slam poetry, and, most notably, her activism for conservation and animal welfare. In short, after her study of social sciences at UVIC, Tab is going to help save the world.

Gr. 8 - 12

Vivienne Zhang

Clean-up time... as the classes' other kindly surrogate mum would say at the end of Art Class! Vivienne is an amazing Artist who - as Erik says, can sit down in 5 minutes and paint the Mona Lisa - but better! An accomplished academic as well, IB diploma candidate Vivienne is regarded by her friends and teachers with great respect. Vivienne plans to pursue her University Degree in Business at UBC, and aspires to travel the world, tasting wine along the way!

K - 12

Sandra Zhou

When Sandra used to pick rock salt off the road and eat it in grade one, it must have been hard to imagine her as the erudite and nuanced intellectual she is today. We think Sandra is the secret progeny of Pablo Neruda and Stalin, for she is a secret romantic, but also a "soft" communist - in it for the aesthetic, but not the ideology. In her 13 years at GNS, Sandra has become known for her dedication to the Arts: she is flautist and pianist, singer and actor. Our multi-talented IB diploma scholar Sandra will commence a humanities degree at UBC next year.

Gr. 9 - 12

Vellar Zhou

Vellar joined us as an excited and nervous grade 9. She worked hard to become part of the GNS family and explored opportunities like rugby and the arts. Her love for travel developed as she went on Round Square and cultural trips and organized her own ventures far afield. An innovator, she has her own hat-making company entitled 'Baby Coyotes' - the proceeds of which fund a charity, and The Live Nation Concert Agency also employs her as a event photographer. Next year, Vellar is headed to Camosun College. We wish her well in all her future endeavors.

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Fall Term

Beginnings:
The first Assembly of the year included Prefect Introductions.
Shakeout BC was one of the emergency drills we had at the start of the term.

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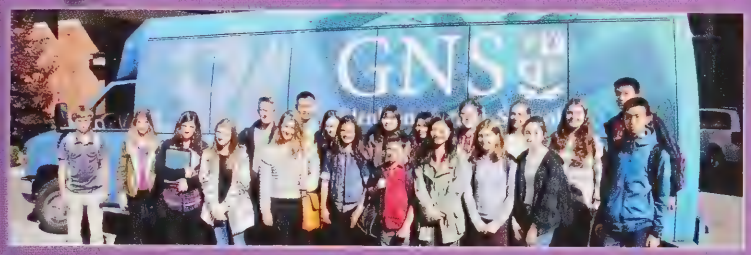
Introducing.

Prefects

Meet the prefects! This year, we have an impressive group- Annika Svorkdal as the Head Girl, Nathan Kuehne as the Head Boy, Caleigh MacPherson as the Grad Prefect, Kiara Hopkins as the Female Games Captain, Tai Orser as the Male Games Captain, Anders Murray-Hemphill as the Arts Prefect, Madelynn Marchildon as the Student Activity Council Prefect, Eirin Caters as the Service Prefect, Krislene Rose Mariano as the Cultural Prefect, Tessa Mitchell as the Environment/Adventure Prefect and Michael Cooper as the GNS Ambassador!



Yearbook

The yearbook team started off with a workshop at the Oak Bay Beach Hotel where the book was planned and design decisions took place. Everyone helped distribute last year's books. Grade 8 - Matthew Alexander, Annissa Granegger, Madelle Harris, Reid Thompson & Megan Vroom. Grade 9 - Gaby Girard, Angelina Huang, Bree McElvaine, Sung-sung Suwanpraipatana, Emily Thompson & Albert Yang. Grade 10 - Yok Chaithanavot, and Jeffery Ko. Grade 11 - Eleana Block, Sylvie Galloway, Jenny Utley, Nghi Vu, Gogo Wen, and Julie Yu. Grade 12 - Jeremy Liu, Trevor Rutherford, Megan Thompson, and Diane Woo.

Grad Retreat

On September 11th, the Grade 12 students went to the Marriott Hotel for their grad retreat. Students were given a chance to voice their opinions on how to improve the school and how to make 2015-2016 school year as amazing as possible! The grads also had the opportunity to engage in team building exercises in order to get to know each other better.

Round Square

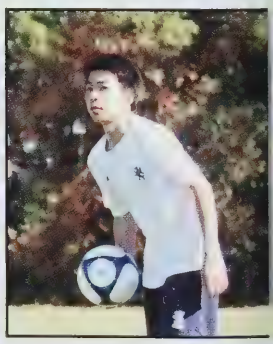
Senior Boys Soccer

Senior Boys Soccer had a very successful season, starting off with 4th in the ISA, finishing first place at the Island 'A' Championship and winning the 2015 'A' Provincial Championship. They ended their season with a tough loss against Oak Bay High School in the Colonist Cup finals. Mackenzie Cole was awarded Tournament MVP and Golden Boot in provincials two years in a row.

Grade 10: Lucas Darke, Kris Neilson, Hamish Vaughan-Wimmer
Grade 11: Pierce Colpman, Rowan Damant, Julian Dosanjh, Hunter Hernandez-Morrison, Lewis Hinton, Thomas Horan, Kartik Khatri Spencer Lee, Aidan McCallum, Max Stewart, Matthew Sutherland,
Grade 12: Finley Ballantyne, Mackenzie Cole, Geoffrey Harper, Jeremy Liu, Brennig Prevost, Jack Schneider, James Shillington, Liam Stanley, Evan Thoms, Joe Whysker. **Coach:** Justin Parish.

Junior Boys Soccer

Grade 7: Molo Padilla Castillo
Grade 8: Matthew Alexander, Alec Boegman, Jack DesBrisay, Ethan Dickinson, Cedric Jegede, Armando Trujillo Garcia, Diego Trujillo Garcia, Reid Thompson, Joel Verrier, Sebastian White
Grade 9: Noah Ballinger, Iain Betts, Christopher Graham, Thomas Healey, Nikhilesh Khatri, Pruek Suwanpraipatana
Grade 10: Leonard Aupperle, Lucas Darke, Brian Kim, Suphakorn Lertruchtkul, Kristopher Neilson, Dylan Samphire, Hamish Vaughan-Wimmer, Pablo Lavin-Garcia
Coaches: James Rhodes, Scott Metcalfe and Lucho Davidov



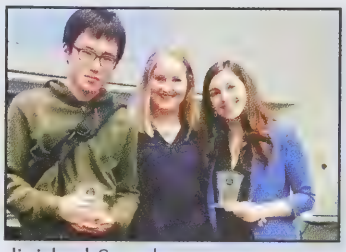
CAIS U15 Girls Soccer

The team flew to Montreal and stayed in Pointe Claire where they played at Terra Cotta Park. Ali Doerksen organized the trip and Diandra Gower coached the team to a second place finish in a dramatic final game.

Grade 6: Jillian Betts
Grade 7: Lily Brice, Ella Brown, Londyn Denford, Nya Owen, Elliott Smith, Hannah White
Grade 8: Erin Addison, Lily Davies, Camille Germain,
Grade 9: Sydney Hemphill, Annie McLeod, Kaya Oro-Martin, Emily Thompson, Leah Zack

Debate Team

Grade 9: Nicole Gonin, Angelina Huang, Henry Morrison, Dex Owen, Elijah Ramraj, Nolan Smith, Olivia Stupak, & Maia Vasko.
Grade 10: Valeria Betancourt, Ben Djukastein, Danae McCulloch, Kris Neilson, Jamaica Ngo, Hannah Salomon, Angus Silver, Millar Smith, Parintorn Suwanpraipatana, Cameron Wallace, Tori Windle, & Marissa Young.
Grade 11: Chloe Freeman, Don Hwang, Shalini Khanna, Jin Bi Kim, Ilse Loomer-Scott, Nicholas Mamic, Duncan Morrical, Hazel Shields, Gogo Wen, & Julie Yu.
Grade 12: Michael Cooper, Alex Hofer, Laura Schultz, Megan Thompson, Duncan Wallace, Thomas Watkins, & David Weaver.
Coach - Dr. Teale Phelps Bondaroff

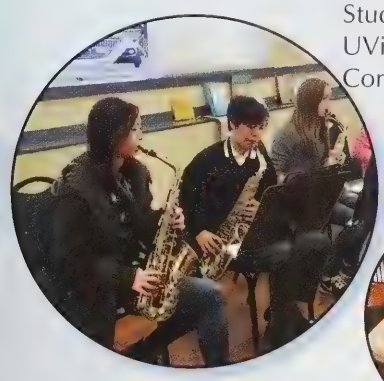


Debaters started the year with a retreat at Camp Thunderbird in Sooke from September 11 to 13. The UVic training tournament on September 26th, open to students who had never debated at inter-school competitions, was hosted jointly by the UVic Debate Society, Brentwood School and GNS. Megan Thompson and Don Hwang came in third in the Senior Team category and Megan placed second in the Senior Individual Speaker category. GNS hosted elements of the National Debate Seminar October 20th to 25th. Some students took part in the bilingual portions and many students volunteered. Alex Hofer, David Weaver, Michael Cooper and Thomas Watkins, competed at the Oxford Cup in Calgary November 12-15. David and Michael made it to the semi-finals. The same weekend had a large team at the UBC High School Debate Tournament in Vancouver. The Golden Gnome Debate tournament took place at Oak Bay on Dec 5th. Michael and David brought the ugly trophy home to GNS for another year.

Band Camp

Workshop Leaders: Flute - Sherri Robertson, Oboe - Rainer Roth, Clarinet - Tom Ackerman, Sax - Erik Abbink, Trumpet - Tim Quinlan, French horn - Karen Hough, Low Brass - Paul Beauschesne, Bass - James Young, Percussion - Kelby MacNayr, Conductor - Audrey Bailey.

Students also attended the UVic Wind Symphony Concert in the evening.



October 16th

Senior Concert Band Workshop

Girls Field Hockey

Coach Victoria Hughes ran a Competitive Team and a Developmental Team. Depending on who was able to come out, some students played on both teams. The competitive team qualified for Provincials by placing 3rd in the Islands and went on to place 7th at Provincials! The developmental team tied for 5th in their Tier 2 Islands Tournament - a strong finish against a lot of AAA schools. **Competitive: Grade 8** - Erin Addison. **Grade 9** - Rebecca Vesey and Alessandra di Frassineto. **Grade 10** - Anna Ciceri, Caitlin Forster-Coull, Niki Marriott and Marissa Young. **Grade 11** - Hannah Block, Caitlin Ciceri, Emily Forster-Coull, Camila Estrada, Chloe Freeman, Cameron Hahn, Simrin Kaloti, and Talia Mitchell. **Grade 12** - Bailey Brumby, Kiara Hopkins, Ariel Elman-Walker, Lynaea Korol-Filbey, Olivia Kwasny, Caleigh MacPherson, Madelynn Marchildon, and Victoria Martens. **Developmental: Grade 8** - Erin Addison. **Grade 9** - Cassidy Brumby, Alessandra di Frassineto, Siobhan Golonka, Sydney Hemphill, Nancy Huang, Christine Kim, Alexa Van Cuylenborg and Emma Zarzour. **Grade 10** - Madeline Berry, Heather Ellard-Webster, Risa Ishiguro and Niki Marriott. **Grade 11** - Hannah Block, Camila Estrada and Nele Koch.

Cross Country

Coach Paul O'Callaghan was very proud of his small team of Iain Betts, Caitlin Forster-Coull, Anna Letkeman, Aiden Longcroft-Harris and Ellie McLeod. Aidan won the Lower Island Cross Country Championships and he and Ellie qualified for Provincials. At Provincials, Aidan placed 13/239 and Ellie 53/218.

Swim Team

Rachel Sawchuk, Aiden Longcroft-Harris, Anna Letkeman and Erik Harper won the 200m Mixed Free Relay by 7 seconds at the Vancouver Island Zone Championships. Swimmers also qualified for the BCSS Championships in all their individual events. Staff sponsor was Dr. Wendy Topic. They were unable to attend provincials as it conflicted with a club sanctioned event.

Senior Girls Volleyball

The girls finished league play with 6 wins and 2 losses and capped off their season with an undefeated playoff run.
Coach: Brent Hall
Staff Sponsor: Jamie Elbert
Grade 10: Jane Glowicki, Chelsea Roberts and Eloisa Roldan.. **Grade 11:** Corinna Darcie, Jordan Egles, Shalini Khanna, Kathlyn MacMillan-Denhoff, and Hazel Shields.
Grade 12: Krislene Rose Mariano and Samara Piercy.

Junior Girls Volleyball

The team was very small this year and, though they held regular practices, were only able to muster sufficient players for two tournaments.
Coaches: Tim Stubbs and Jennie Greven
Staff Sponsor: Bart Van Tine
Grade 9: Kate McIntyre and Samantha Patrick.
Grade 10: Anna Ciceri, Andrea DeMeo, Chloe Korol-Filbey, Jenna Miller, Renee Rathwell, Vanessa Rodriguez Gasperin, and Angeline Silman.

Climbing

Climbers enjoyed up to 8 sessions each at Crag X Climbing Gym during the Fall Term. **Coach:** Rick Lidstone
Grade 9: Alex Kong, Ian Prescott, Nolan Smith, Ethan Stanger, Alex Wells and Albert Yang.
Grade 10: Thomas Allan, Bronte Denford, Madeleine DesBrisay, Heather Ellard-Webster, Camden Leith, Niki Marriott and Jasmyne Storm.
Grade 11: Greg Adams.
Grade 12: Catalina De Castro, Adele DesBrisay, Carly Egan, Ellie McLeod, Anders Murray-Hemphill, Andre Prescott, Megan Thompson and Kealy Troje Hoyt.

Math Workshops

On October 13th, various students signed up to attend the Math at the Real World workshop in periods 5 and 6. Students who took part in the workshop were: Keaton Olleck, Thomas Watkins, Max Sandberg, Sky Gunn, Eric Yvorchuk, Kai Peng, Michael Higashi, Ben Dinkersein, Allen Yang, Anna Gaunt, Spencer Rommelkamp, Tony Liu, Vivienne Zhang, Allen Xiao, Julie Yu, Ina Cheng, Geoff Harper, Ella Chan, Casey Wan, Lynn Lin, and Camila Estrada.

Speed the Plow

Grade 11 and 12 students attended Speed the Plow, at the Belfry Theatre on October 7th.

Economic 12 Conference

On October 16th the Economics 12 class attended the conference and seminar "Post-Secondary Seminar: Explore Public Policy Issues" that was held at the Hotel Grand Pacific.

GoodLife FITNESS VICTORIA MARATHON

A group of students volunteered at the 36th annual Goodlife Fitness Victoria Marathon on Sunday, October 11th at the Beach Campus under the leadership of Angie Girard.

Monday Night Jazz

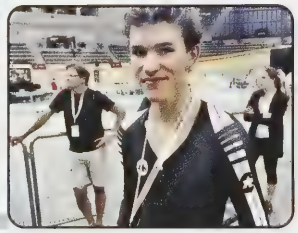
The Jazz Orchestra had their first Jazz Night on Monday October 19th, with the Jon Miller Quartet as their guest artist.

Diane Woo, Tak Tanaka, Harry Zhang, Sam Patrick, Anders Murray-Hemphill, Leonard Aupperle, Cam Wallace, Megan Thompson, Drew Jackson, Michael Norris, Mark Barr, Trevor Rutherford, Dan Cumberbirch, Emily Thompson, Lucy Zhang, Paige Thompson, Camden Leith, and Millar Smith.

Gryphon Run

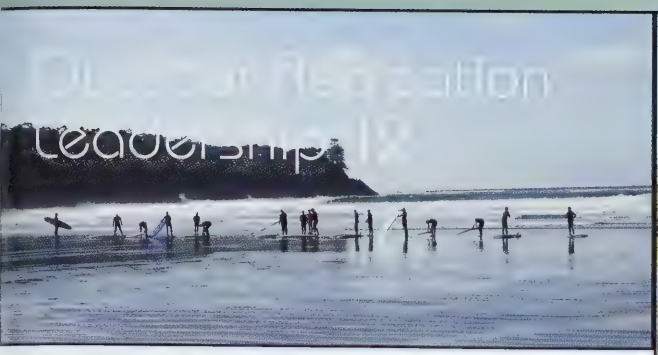
Our first annual Gryphon 5k Run took place on Sunday, September 27 at the Beach Drive Campus. Our category winners were:
U18 Male: Aiden Longcroft-Harris,16:55
U18 Female: Ella Stanger, 22:54
Adult Male: Paul O'Callaghan, 17:24
Adult Female: Tanis Masson, 22:56
Fastest alum was Haden Campbell (graduated in 2010) who finished at 19:00.

Congratulations to Gr. 12 Elói Batista for his silver medal achievement at the National Track Cycling Championships in Milton, Ontario.



Astronomy Group

The GNS Astronomy Group went star-gazing at UVIC's Bob Wright Building with clear skies and a 1st quarter crescent moon on Wednesday, October 14th.



Thirteen Grade 12 students took part in a Kayak Surfing weekend trip to Tofino from October 23- 25, experiencing surfboarding, surf kayaking, and sea kayaking.

Tech Team

Always hiding out behind the scenes are: Duncan Wallace, Spencer Ronnenkamp, Konnor Klashinsky, Millar Smith, Elói Batista, Takahiro Tanaka, Aiden Longcroft-Harris, Henry Morrison, Alex Stead, Andrea DeMeo, Thomas Allan, and Drew Jackson.

Outdoor Recreation Leadership 11

Seven Grade 11 students went on a hiking trip to the San Juan Ridge, near Jordan River from October 2 to 4.

Reflecting at the Beach

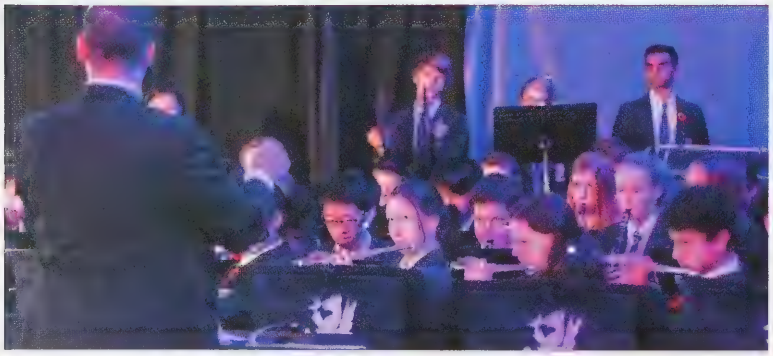
On Friday October 16th, a group of English 9 students went on a field trip to the Beach Drive Campus to work with a Gr. 1 class.

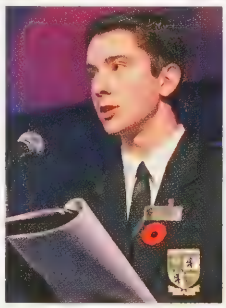
Cultural Club

The cultural club hosted a potluck picnic at Willows Beach in September, and then, as part of Vietnamese month, the club organized a dinner at Saigon Night Restaurant for November 6th.

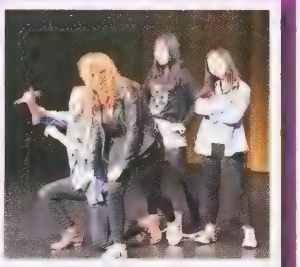
Students who took part in the Cultural Club activities: Victoria Bouchard, Clare Chan, Sky Chen, Elisa Cheng, Catalina De Castro, Emerence de Roissart, Carly Egan, Ariel Elman-Walker, Megan Ewing, Anna Harama-Bedard, Michael Higashi, Yovella Hsu, Risa Ishiguro, Christine Kim, Jeffery Ko, Paulina Ko, Nele Koch, Lynaea Korol-Filbey, Taylor Lee, Jeremy Liu, Tony Liu, Janet Ma, Krislene Rose Mariano, Tessa Mitchell, Nicholas Roethel, Parintorn Suwanpraipatana, Annika Svorkdal, Jimmy Tang, Megan Thompson, Carolin Tietz, Sebastien Trinckvel, Runze Wang, Diane Woo, Alice Xiao, Christy Yu, and Vivienne Zhang.

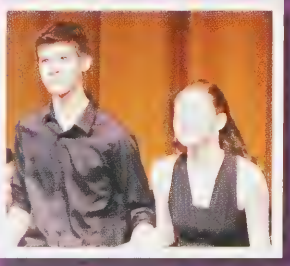
Remembrance Day





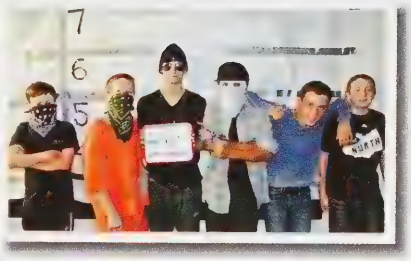
This year's assembly included Megan Thompson's presentation on the Canadian Scottish Regiment (Princess Mary's) for Operation Veteran which earned her a trip to Ottawa for Remembrance Day. Our guest speaker was Master Corporal Jayden Cormier, a 26 year old veteran of Afghanistan who is currently part of Princess Mary's regiment.





Round Square Talent Show

The Round Square Committee held their annual talent Show which raised over $1600 for Woodwynn Farms. Tech members and RS team included: Thomas Allan, Eleana Block, Bailey Brumby, Anna Ciceri, Madeleine DesBrisay, Ariel Elman-Walker, Camila Estrada, Chloe Freeman, Sylvie Galloway, Andrea Herrmann, Nancy Huang, Drew Jackson, Sabrina Jegede, Simrin Kaloti, Shalini Khanna, Christine Kim, Nathan Kuehne, Jeremy Liu, Danae McCulloch, Ellie McLeod, Aim Musikachote, Antonia Neatby, Jesse O'Neill-Bains, Keaton Ollech, Miranda Ori Oriansino, Dex Owen, Tygre Patchell-Evans, Spencer Ronnenkamp, Laura Schulz, Clare Skillman, Millar Smith, Nolan Smith, Alex Stead, Annika Svorkdal, Jennifer Utley, Nghi Vu, Duncan Wallace, Julie Yu, Vivienne Zhang, and Sandra Zhou.



The Student Activity Council organized a great Hallowe'en Dance. Members include: Valeria Hernandez, Stuart Cameron, Eirin Caters, Caitlin Ciceri, Mackenzie Cole, Adele DesBrisay, Camila Estrada, Emily Forster-Coull, Gaby Girard, Chris Graham, Geoffrey Harper, Alex Hofer, Kiara Hopkins, Risa Ishiguro, Sedona Janzen, Sabrina Jegede, Simrin Kaloti, Nathan Kuehne, Rory Macklin, Caleigh Macpherson, Madelynn Marchildon, Victoria Martens, Talia Mitchell, Tessa Mitchell, Keaton Ollech, Miranda Ori Oriansino, Tygre Patchell-Evans, Samara Piercy, Brennig Prevost, Nicholas Roethel, Rachel Sawchuk, Laura Schulz, James Shillington, Annika Svorkdal, Danielle Thoms, and Joe Whysker.

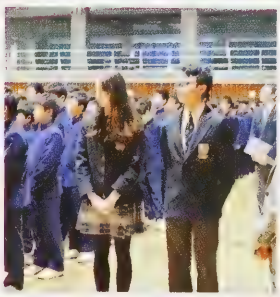
Hallowe'en Dance

Photography Club members include: Kate Addison, Madeleine Berry, Victoria Bouchard, Camila Estrada, Thomas Healey, Sidney Hemphill, Emma Hofer, Kin Jiengphattanakit, Jeremy Liu, Danae McCulloch, Kate McIntyre, Annie McLeod, Francesco Navarro Roby, Jamaica Ngo, Dex Owen, Kaleeka Pather, Kai Peng, Andre Prescott, Laura Schulz, Millar Smith, Nolan Smith, Pirada Tisapramotkul, Sebastien Trinckvel, Gogo Wen, Kathy Xu, and Vellar Zhou.

Hallowe'en Photo Booth

Exchanges

Anna Harama-Bedard and Jimmy Tang received a warm welcome to Setagaya Gakuen School.



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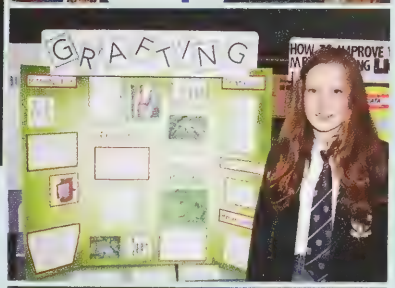
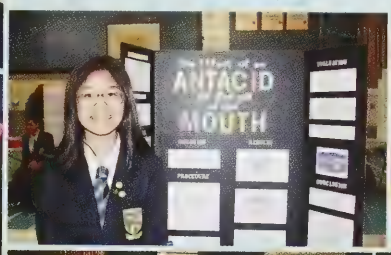
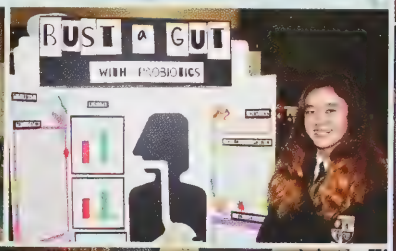
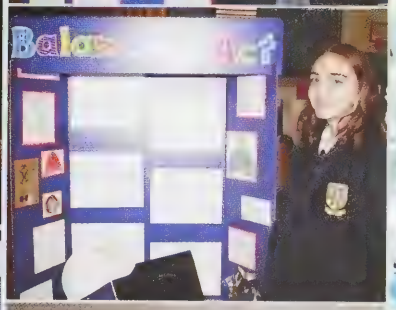
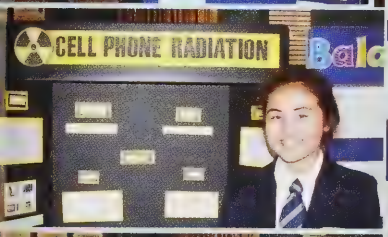
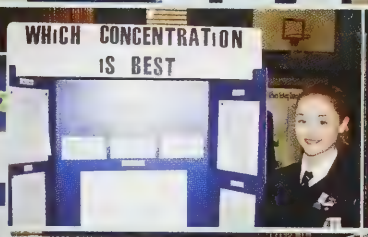


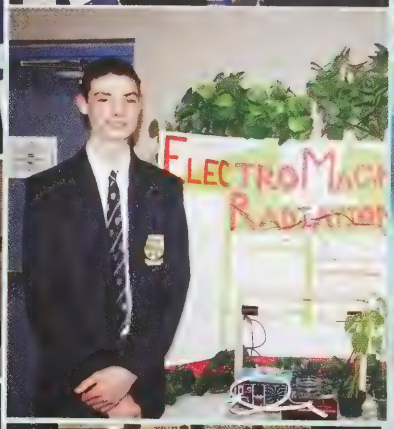
Winners: Annie McLeod - The Bactericidal & Bacteriostatic Effects of Fucus Gardneri (Top Project Overall), Dexter Owen - The Effect of Electromagnetic Radiation (Best Board), Noah Ballinger - Antibacterial properties of Hot Sauce, Manon Damant - Personality Types & Their Preference in Art, Nicole Gonin - How does temperature affect the difference aeration makes in fairy moss mass, Jasmine Lee - Natural antibacterial products, Isabella Moyer - How does colour affect happiness, Elijah Ramraj - Improving Memory, Lyndon Taylor - Dominant Eye & Free throws and Emily Thompson. - Gender and Multisensory perception. **Honourable Mentions:** Emma Hofer, Rebecca Vesey and Albert Yang.

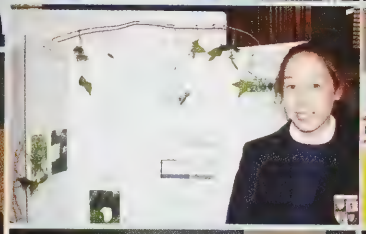
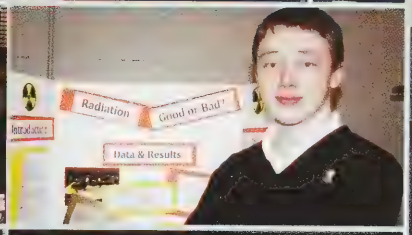








Coaches: Rene Gonin, Sofie Gregory, Amanda Pomphrey and Katie Steenman.
Staff Sponsors: Andrea Robertson and Elspeth Horn.
Grade 9: Rachel Diment, Nicole Gonin, Carson Rust, Liam Turner, Maia Vasko & Lucy Zhang.
Grade 10: Valeria Betancourt, Lucas Hoelscher, Janet Ma, Danae McCulloch, Bridgette Norwood, Hannah Salomon, Bjorn Svorkdal, Bella Sweeney, Bella Szwender, Ian Tam & Nina Thomson
Grade 11: Chloe Freeman, Andrea Herrmann, Colten Hodak, Ilse Loomer-Scott, Aidan McCallum, Miranda Ori Oriansino & Dylan Thompson
Grade 12: Eirin Caters & Annika Svorkdal (Captain)

RESULTS

First Regatta: Almost all of the novice racers finished in the top three. **LVISSAA Second Annual Regatta:** Jr B Novice Women 4x placed 1st & 2nd, Sr Adv Women 2x placed 1st, Sr Adv Women 4x placed 1st, Jr B Novice Women 8+ placed 1st, Sr Adv Men 1x placed 2nd, Sr Adv Women 8+ placed 2nd, Sr Adv Men 2x placed 2nd, Jr A Women 2x placed 2nd, Sr Adv Women 1x placed 3rd and Sr Adv Men 4x placed 4th
City Championships: 1st place, Sr Adv Women 2x (Bella Sweeney & Danae McCulloch), Jr Novice Women 8+ (Maia Vasko(cox), Kaleeka Pather, Janet Ma, Nicole Gonin, Nina Thomson, Bridgette Norwood, Rachel Dimant, Lucy Zhang & Valeria Betancourt). **2nd** place, Sr Adv Women 4x (Bella Sweeney, Ilse Loomer-Scott, Andrea Herrmann & Danae McCulloch), Jr Novice Women 4x (Nicole Gonin, Kaleeka Pather, Bridgette Norwood & Nina Thomson), Sr Adv Women 8+ (Maia Vasko(cox), Bella Sweeney, Danae McCulloch, Eirin Caters, Ilse Loomer-Scott, Andrea Herrmann, Chloe Freeman, Miranda Ori & Nina Thomson), Sr Women 2x (Andrea Herrmann & Ilse Loomer-Scott). **4th** place, Sr Adv Men 2x (Bjorn Svorkdal & Dylan Thompson) **6th** place, Sr Adv Men 1x (Bjorn Svorkdal)

Fall Term 2015

SENIOR SCHOOL TIMES

GNS GRYPHONS

Academics

Social Justice 12

Once a month, from November through April, students from our Social Justice 12 class and members of the Round Square prepare and provide a hot meal for 20 to 30 disadvantaged youth in Victoria. For the past 7 years, GNS has been one of many groups to support the Out of the Rain Youth Shelter Organization.

Claremont Review

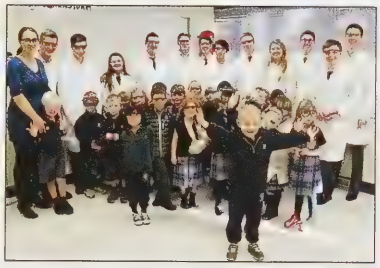
Congratulations to Alice Xiao for having her poem, *The Ode to Shanghai*, published in the *Claremont Review*, a highly respected literary journal that features youth writing. It is very difficult to get published in the *Review* - Alice actually had her poem accepted last spring, when she was in Grade 10, for the Fall 2015 publication.

Academics

Grade 10 Science

On Wednesday, October 21, the grade 10s participated in an invasive species field study at Christmas Hill Regional Park & Swan Lake Nature Sanctuary. They collected invasive species and recorded their GPS locations as they worked. Later, they compiled the class data to form a map of invasive species amounts per location.

Chemistry 12



Students in Chemistry 12 spent two classes preparing demos and activities to share their love of chemistry with students in Kindergarten Specifically, they looked for collaborative activities that had reactions that made a gas (bubbles), changed colour or made a loud noise. Both big and little kids were excited by the opportunity to spend an hour in the science lab together.

School Visits

Kansai University School Visit

Students from Kansai University School in Japan visited our school October 21st and 22nd. They were paired with Grade 9 students and attended their classes and then hosted a cultural fair for the Middle School in the afternoon of their second day. Their activities also involved sightseeing around Victoria and Vancouver Island.

Explore BC is giving GNS students the opportunity to experience our Island and BC. Instead of traveling with their parents, students get to head out with their friends. Thanks to Ms Horn for all her efforts to organize these trips.

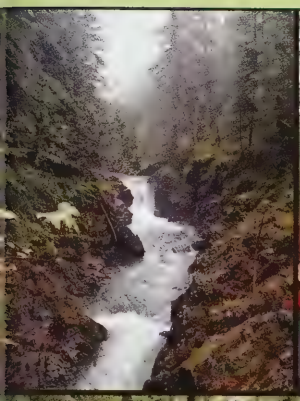
Locations for the Fall Term:

Saturday,September 26 – Salt Spring Island (trip on the ferry, hiking, and the Ganges Saturday Market)

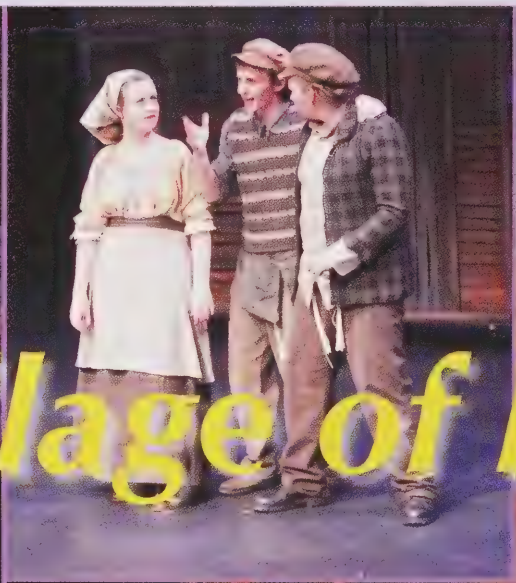
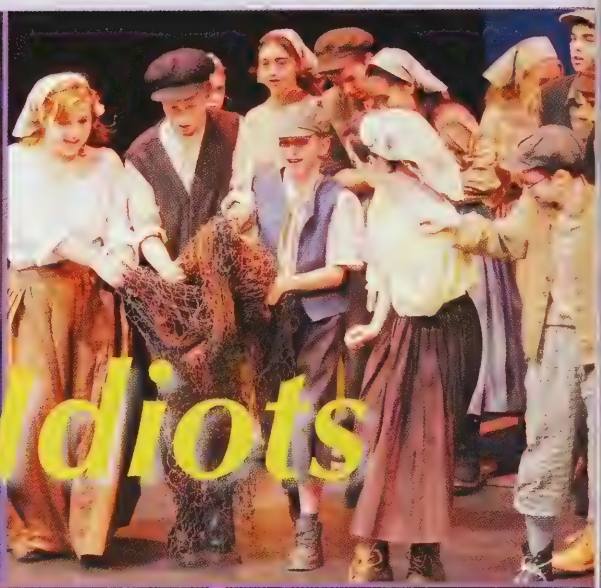
Saturday, October 17 – Cathedral Grove and Coombs Market

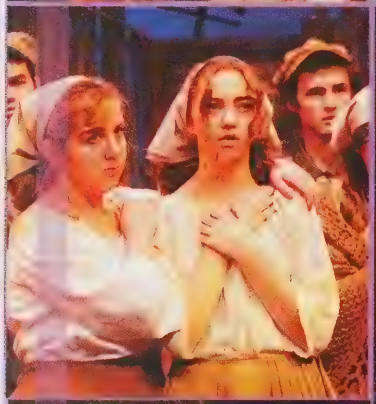
Friday, December 4 – Dinner on the HMCS Ottawa and then tour the holiday light display on the Canadian Military Forces War Ships.

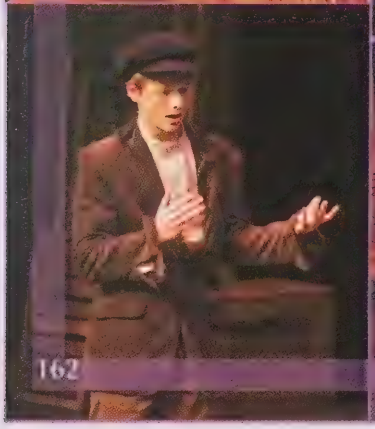
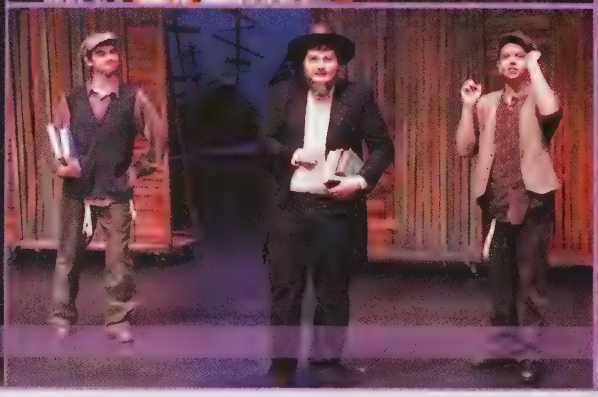
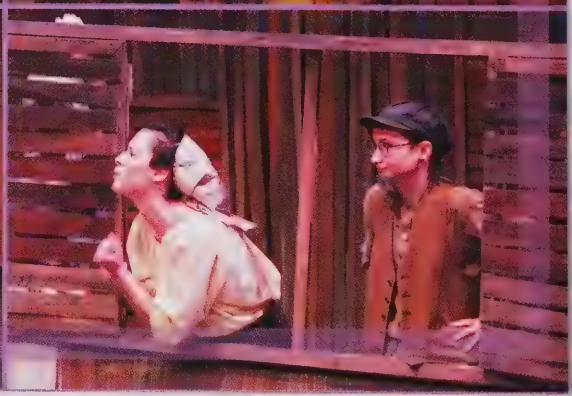
Explore BC



Village of Idiots



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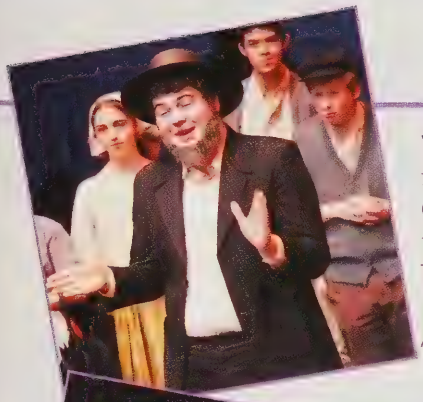
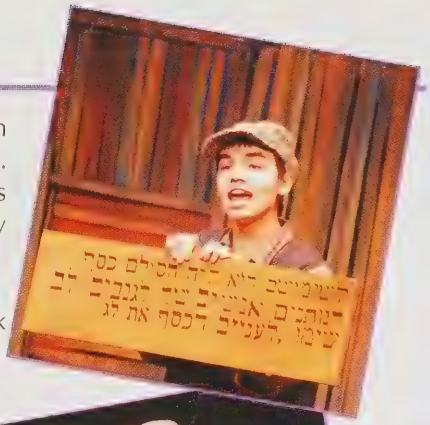
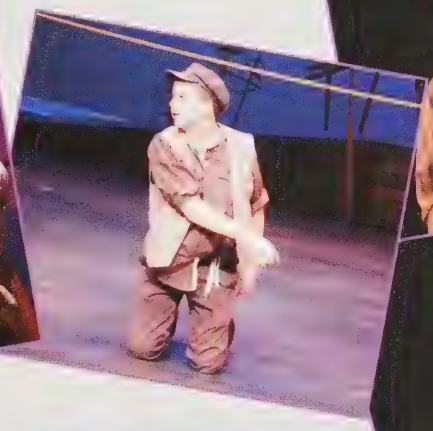




Village of Idiots is inspired by a collection of traditional Yiddish folktales and is rooted in a vaudevillian performance tradition. Canadian playwright John Lazarus read these stories throughout his childhood, and was commissioned by Toronto's Young People's Theatre to write a play.

Director in Residence - Geoffrey Ewert
Assistant Director & Production Manager - Adrienne Smook
Set & Prop Design - Carole Klemm
Lighting Design - Rebekah Johnson
Set Builder - Mark Le Surf
Poster & Program Design - Cheryl Alexander
Sound & Production Design - Geoffrey Ewert



Cast

Leo Livora (Zalman), Antonia Neatby (Zlateh), Eric Yvorchuk (Meshholem), Thomas Watkins (Yosef - Act One), Angus Silver (Yosef - Act Two), Konnor Klashinsky (Shmendrick), Jack Wild (Zisyah), Spencer Ronnenkamp (Rabbi), Kate Addison (Rebbetsin), Natasha Lloyd-Kruger (Miriam), Vincent Klashinsky (Feyvel), Marissa Smithson (Feigela), Kai Peng (Selig the Ugly Chelmnik), Gaby Girard (Glukel the Pretty Chelmnik), Leah Zack (Gittel and Russian Soldier), Daniel Yvorchuk (Haskel and Russian Officer), Siena Cecil (Fruma and Private Brodsky), Nolan Smith (Hershel and Russian Soldier), Fallyn Denford (Bluma), Carson Rust (Shimmel and Russian Soldier) and Gogo Wen (Zusa).

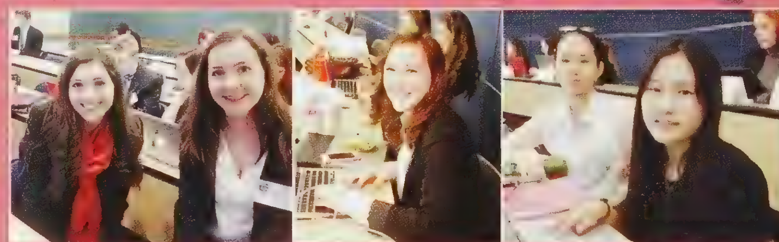
Student Production Team: Duncan Wallace (Stage Manager), Alexander Stead (Assistant Lighting Designer & Lighting Operator), Stuart Cameron (Costume Designer), Nele Koch (Assistant Costumer), Millar Smith (Sound Operator), Thomas Allan & Drew Jackson (Archival Video), Mitch Cartwright & Andrea DeMeo (Backstage Assistant Stage Managers)

Prop Team: Angeline Silman, Mitch Cartwright, Suphakorn Lertruchtkul, Krystyna Klimczuk-Massion, Ella Chan, Eli Ramraj, & Liam Turner.

On October 16th, some courageous Gryphons gave up their hair for Victoria Hospice. They raised over $5000! Participants included: Finley Ballantyne, Keith Broughton, Caitlin Ciceri, Lucho Davidov, Nancy Huang, Mark Le Surf, Jack Schneider, Nolan Smith, Bjorn Svorkdal, Danielle Thoms and Bart Van Tine.

Head Shave & Hair Donation

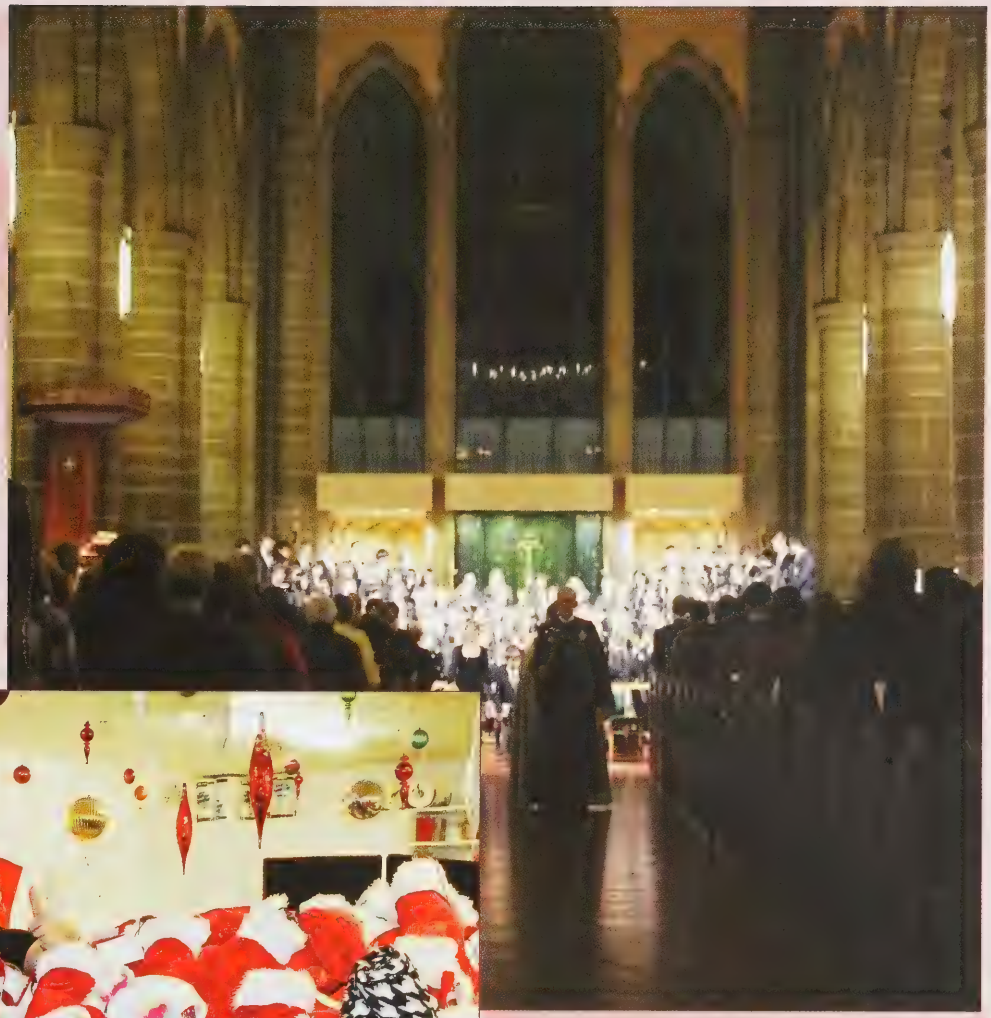
Model UN



October 23 to 25, students attended the University of Victoria's Model United Nations Conference. The focus of the conference was Global Unrest: War, Violence and Terrorism. About one hundred people participated from high school students to fourth year university students. Hannah Block won an award for "Best Position Paper" in her General Assembly committee. On November 28th students participated in the Island Model United Nations at Brentwood College, representing GNS as the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, the Arab League, and the Disarmament and International Security Committee. David Weaver was awarded "Best Delegate" for his work in the Arab League. Students involved in Model UN this term were Hannah Block, Stuart Cameron, Anna Ciceri, Andrea Egan, Carly Egan, Christine Kim, Laura Schulz, Hazel Shields, Megan Thompson, David Weaver, Gogo Wen, Diane Woo and Christy Yu.

RS Conference

Delegates had the opportunity to participate in the [illegible] International Round Square Conference in Singapore, along with post conference activities in beautiful Bali which included white water rafting and [illegible]

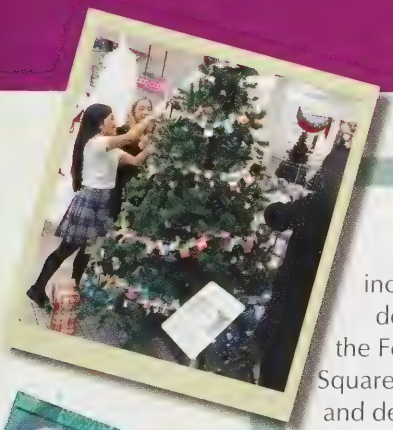


Winter Term

Traditions:
our yearly Warm a Soul stocking campaign for the Extreme Outreach Society and the Annual Service of Nine Lessons and Carols at Christ Church Cathedral.

Winter Wonderland Band Concert

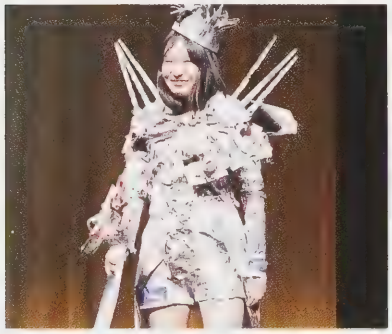
Service of Nine Lessons & Carols



Holiday Activities included Cultural Club decorating a tree for the Festival of Trees, Round Square organizing the creation and delivery of stockings, and Positivity Project hot chocolate!

Senior Band members also helped out in the community by performing as a Carol Band for various functions.

French Revolution Fashion Show



Grade 9 students strutted the "catwalk" on December 16 in French Revolution inspired costumes designed and made by their teammates. They were constructed almost entirely from newspaper and tape.

Monday Night Jazz

Jazz Band had a great performance during Monday Night Jazz on February 16. The musicians are Leonard Aupperle, Mark Barr, Daniel Cumberbirch, Drew Jackson, Camden Leith, Anders Murray-Hemphill, Micheal Norris, Sam Patrick, Trevor Rutherford, Millar Smith, Takahiro Tanaka, Emily Thompson, Megan Thompson, Paige Thompson, Cameron Wallace, Diane Woo, Harry Zhang and Lucy Zhang.

Model UN

On January 21 to 24, Carly Egan, Laura Schulz, Megan Thompson, David Weaver and Diane Woo attended the Vancouver Model UN Conference. They engaged in conversations and debates discussing current issues affecting the international community.

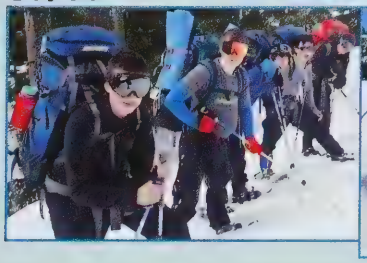
Winter Camps

Students from Grades 10 through 12 participated in various snow adventures. Students from Grade 10 and Grade 11 had three day ski and snowshoeing trips in Strathcona Park. Students from Grade 12 had a three day ski trip in Manning Park.

Gr. 12

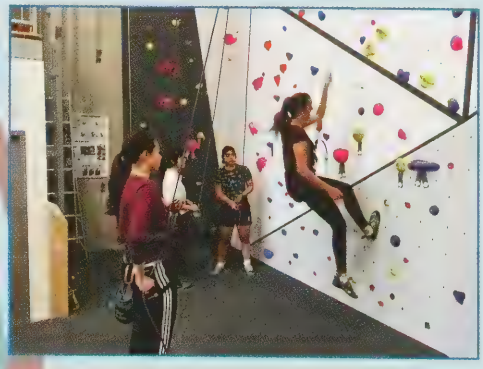
Gr. 11

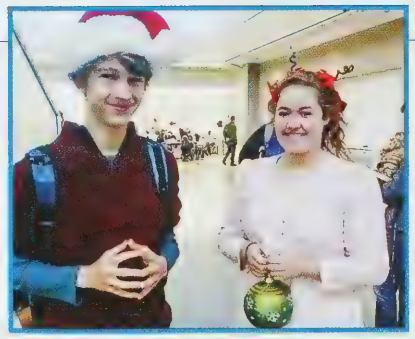
Gr. 10



Climbing Club

Climbers Thomas Allan, Finley Ballantyne, Catalina De Castro, Carly Egan, Anna Harama-Bedard, Yovella Hsu, Hayato Kishi, Alex Kong, Camden Leith, Jeremy Liu, Niki Marriott, Ellie McLeod, Taku Omura, Dex Owen, Ian Prescott, Eli Ramraj, Laura Schulz, Nolan Smith, Jasmyne Storm, Bjorn Svorkdal, Ian Tam, Takahiro Tanaka, Megan Thompson and Alice Xiao climbed at Crag X this term.





Golden Gnomes at Oak Bay High was won by FDR and Churchill (aka David Weaver and Michael Cooper. Fine showings came from The Grinch and Cindy Loo Whoo, Trump & Jessica Jones, Zero and SImone De Beauvoir, Hermione Granger and an Angel, and Tintin and Ben Wade (from 3:10 to Yuma).

GNS hosted Vancouver Island Debate Regionals, with over 250 people participating in one of the biggest Regionals in recent memory. Topics included This House Would abolish tipping, adopt a digital currency, and THW permit parents to physically implant tracking devices in their children. The Senior Debate Champions were, you guessed it, Weaver and Cooper.

Debate

Grade 8: Josh Bowder and Sam Zhao
Grade 9: Kevin Dang, Noah Fekete, Chris Graham, Ian Prescott, Ethan Stanger and Alex Wells
Grade 10: Lucas Darke, Jeffrey Ko, Kris Neilson and Hamish Vaughan-Wimmer

Coach: Greg Harrison and Randy Ollech

Jr. Boys Basketball

Sr. Boys Basketball

The team had a great season. They showed their potential when they made the semi-finals at the Esquimalt Fire Hall Invitational Tournament against many 'AAA' teams.

The team won the ISAA Tier 2 Championships.

Grade 11: Pierce Colpman, Hunter Hernandez-Morrison, Lewis Hinton, Spencer Lee, Chris McCulloch and Jimmy Tang

Grade 12: Chris Ferguson, Anders Murray-Hemphill, Tai Orser, and Kai Peng

Coach: Harvey Thorau, Steve King and Tyler Thorau

The Provincial Debate tournament in Vancouver took place in late February. Representing GNS were Michael Cooper, Ben Djukastein, Alex Hofer, Kris Neilson, Eli Ramraj, Angus Silver, Nolan Smith, Olivia Stupak, Thomas Watkins, David Weaver, Marissa Young.

Debaters over the course of the term included:
Valeria Betancourt Hernandez, Hannah Block, Michael Cooper, Ben Djukastein, Chloe Freeman, Nicole Gonin, Alex Hofer, Angelina Huang, Don Hwang, Shalini Khanna, Jin Bi Kim, Ilse Loomer-Scott, Danae McCulloch, Henry Morrison, Kris Neilson, Francesco Navarro, Jamaica Ngo, Dex Own, Eli Ramraj, Hazel Shields, Angus Silver, Millar Smith, Nolan Smith, Olivia Stupak, Parintorn Suwanpraipatana, Megan Thompson, Maia Vasko, Cameron Wallace, Duncan Wallace, Thomas Watkins, David Weaver, Gogo Wen, Tori Windle, Marissa Young, Julie Yu and Harry Zhang.

Sr. Girls Basketball

Grade 9: Lynden Taylor and Emily Thompson
Grade 10: Bridgette Norwood and Renee Rathwell
Grade 11: Eleana Block, Kathlyn Denhoff, Kirsten Dupuy, and Sylvie Galloway
Grade 12: Victoria Martens, Samara Piercy and Kealy Troje Hoyt
Coach: Ali Doerksen, Gaby Ciceri and Haley Dupuy

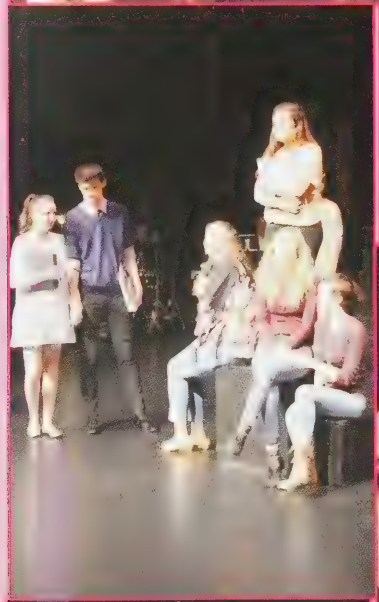
The girls had a great year, placing 6th at the ISAAs and third at Island's.

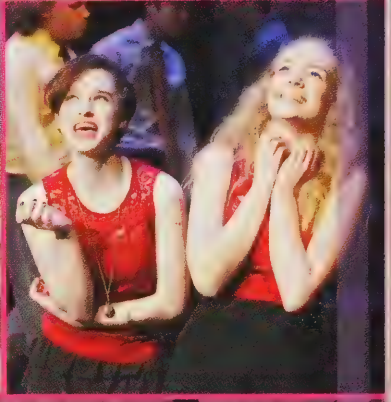
Jr. Girls Basketball

Grade 8: Tess McCaig and Katie Hurst
Grade 9: Nicole Gonin
Grade 10: Caitlin Forster-Coull, Vanessa Rodriguez Gasperin, Jane Glowicki, Chloe Korol-Filbey, Stella McCaig, Sung Sung Suwanpraipatana, Tori Windle and Christy Yu

Coach: Kirsten Ziegler and Amad Benga

La La Love





Story & Production

La La Love is a compilation of Rock-n-roll songs woven together with a story about high school relationships. This musical revue explores the lonely search for love, the initial spark of infatuation, the fangs of jealousy, the sting of betrayal and the blight of cynicism.

Writers/Creators - Dr. Marvin Regier & Matthew Montgomery
Musical Director - Dr. Marvin Regier
Choreographer - Arabella Martin
Lighting Mentors - Geri Weir & Simon Farrow
Sound Operator - Simon Rishman
Set Construction - Mark Le Surf
Program & Poster Design - Cheryl Alexander
Production Manager - Adrienne Smook

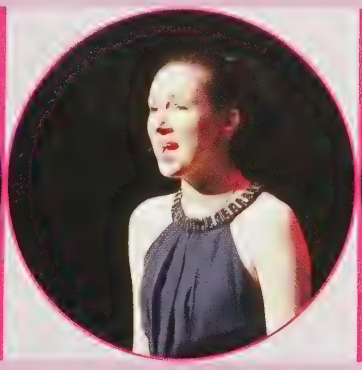
Cast

Fallyn Denford (Fallcon), Ilse Loomer-Scott (Ibis), Spencer Ronnenkamp (DJ), Evan Thoms (Tom), Amelia Singh (Jane), Jack Wild (Billy), Shalini Khanna (Sarah), Eric Yvorchuk (Sam), Natasha Lloyd-Kruger (Kaylie), Marissa Smithson (Cassie), Leo Livora (Joe), Kai Peng (Jim), Daniel Yvorchuk (Kyle), Arianna Loy (Betsy), Vincent Klashinsky (Fred), and Bella Szwender (Johanna).

Band - Tony Liu (Piano), Millar Smith (Drums), Guitar (Dr. Marvin Regier).

Student Production Team - Duncan Wallace (Stage Manager), Alexander Stead (Lighting Designer), Spencer Ronnenkamp (Sound Designer), Carson Rust (Projections), Nele Koch & Tracy Huynh (Costumes Coordination), Andrea DeMeo & Carson Rust (Assistant Sound), Millar Smith (Assistant Lighting), Angus Silver (Backstage), Andrea DeMeo & Drew Jackson (Follow Spot Operators), Anna Ciceri (Archival Video).

Set Painters - Kate Addison, Angus Silver, Andrea DeMeo, Nolan Smith, Eli Ramraj.



Special Thanks to Ashley Evans, Cheryl Alexander, Charlie Kocurek.

Personal Project

Awards

Communicating:
Ella Chan
Thinking:
Isobel Sweeney &
Bjorn Svorkdal
Inquiring:
Anna Ciceri
Risk-Taking:
Angus Silver &
Arianna Loy

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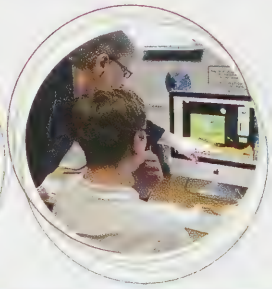
Science Week Celebrates Space



and Edwin Hubble and his discoveries. Tuesday's "Fly a Spacecraft" (paper airplane) event was cancelled due to high winds, but Wednesday saw a number of students taking part in the "Rings of Saturn" hula hoop contest. On Thursday, Grade 10s watched "The Martian" as part of an interdisciplinary unit with Language and Literature. At lunch, SS students could "Walk the Line" while MS students got to attempt to safely pilot a lunar lander to land on the moon. Everyone watched the rocket launched on the turf. Friday was a space themed mufti!

TOK 11

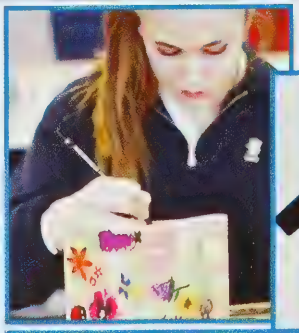
visited the Beach Campus to explore a wide range of interesting questions such as "Is it Okay to keep secrets" and other ToK questions.

Explore BC

February included an organized trip to a Victoria Royals hockey Game!

Art Club

Members included: Siena Cecil, Jane Glowicki, Stella McCaig, Danae McCullough, Jenna Miller, Sophia Sainsbury, Bella Sweeney, Bella Szwender, Nina Thompson and Tori Windle. They created Bird Houses for the Syrian Refugee Fundraiser "There's No Place like Home which took place at the Inn at laurel Point on March 29th.



Round Square Committee members volunteered at Woodwynn Farms, a 193 acre organic farm and therapeutic community for the homeless, removing invasive species such as blackberries and also helped out by working on the Peace Garden.

Acts of Service

- The Positivity Project brought us hot chocolate.
- The community initiative for homeforms had a number of successful projects, including Ms Nielson's focus on helping a family of six Syrian refugees by filling backpacks for their boys, ages 10, 9, 8 & 5 and supplying a box of personal care items for the family.
- Stuart Cameron hosted a charity fashion show - Fashion for Relief Victoria as a fundraiser for the Victoria Cool Aid Society.
- Valeria Betancourt and Hannah Block spent their Winter Break in India working on an International Service Project.

FASHION FOR RELIEF VICTORIA

Spring Term

Beginnings:
The grand openings of the Dining Hall and the Scott Fitness Centre.

Sailing

Sailing at Oak Bay Marina and regattas with Paul Mais were: Iain Betts, Henry Morrison, Paige Thompson, Heather Ellard-Webster, Leonard Aupperle, Niki Marriott, Paul Koo, Siobhan Golonka and Carson Rust.

Senior Girls Soccer

Team members were Jessa Broeren, Anna Ciceri, Caitlin Ciceri, Corinna Darcie, Andrea DeMeo, Andrea Egan, Caitlin Forster-Coull, Emily Forster-Coull, Kiara Hopkins, Shalini Khanna, Lynaea Korol-Filbey, Jasmine Lee, Kathlyn MacMillan-Denhoff, Caleigh Macpherson, Annie McLeod, Ellie McLeod, Talia Mitchell, Kaya Oro Martin, Samara Piercy, Chelsea Roberts and Tori Windle. Coaches Sonny Pawar and Ali Doerksen.

The girls won the Island Provincials and earned a berth at the Provincials held in Prince George.

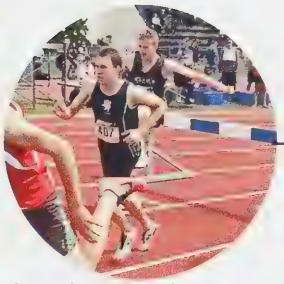
Rowing for GNS

In mid-May, Bella Sweeney and Danae McCulloch's teams won the Women's Double, Quad and 8+, at the Shawnigan Lake Rowing Regatta under the banner of the VCRC . Lucas Hoelscher came 4th in the Jr. B Mens Singles Final and his team won the quad event. Later, in early June, Bella Sweeney and Danae McCulloch who came 3rd in the Junior Women's Doubles at the Canadian Secondary School Rowing Association Regatta in St. Catherine's Ontario out of a very competitive group of 32 doubles from Canada and the eastern US. The girls also rowed in the Senior Women's Doubled events, just for the experience. The Senior women were aged 17 to 19, so some of the doubles could be much older and more experienced. The girls made the semi- finals and had the 12th fastest time out of 35 boats.

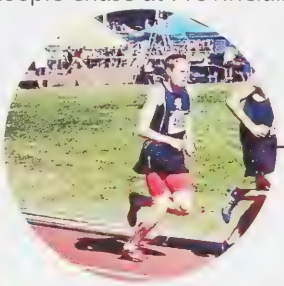
Senior Boys and Girls Rugby

Boys Team: Thomas Armenta, Mackenzie Cole, Daniel Cumberbirch, Rowan Damant, Chris Ferguson, Lewis Hinton, Nikhilesh Khatri, Paul Koo, Pablo Lavin Garcia, Suphakorn Lertruchtkul, Rory Macklin, Aidan McCallum, Brennig Prevost, James Shillington, Max Stewart, Bjorn Svorkdal, Hamish Vaughan-Wimmer, Jackson, Vesey and Joe Whysker. Coaches were Frank Stanley, Winston Stanley and Shane Muldrew

Girls Team: Valeria Betancourt Hernandez, Bailey Brumby, Artidtaya Chaithanayot, Clare Chan, Anna Ciceri, Catalina De Castro, Emerence de Roissart, Ariel Elman-Walker, Camila Estrada, Risa Ishiguro, Sabrina Jegede, Lacielle Klotz-Galipeau, Janet Ma, Krislene Mariano, Tessa Mitchell, Aim Musikachote, Miranda Oh Oriansino, Vanessa Rodrguez Gasperin, Kealy Troje Hoyt, Tori Windle and Christy Yu. Coaches Shane Muldrew, Wendy Topic & Andrea Robertson.



Aiden places 10th in 2000m steeple chase at Provincials.



Liam places 11th in the 1500m at Provincials.

Jesse earns the Silver Medal in 400m hurdles at Provincials.

Track and Feild

Sydney Hemphill, Anna Letkeman, Aiden Longcroft-Harris, Jesse O'Neill-Bains, Samantha Patrick, Liam Stanley and Emma Zarzour. Coaches Veryan Wolsak and Paul O'Callaghan.

Badminton

The Badminton team had an amazing year! GNS started playing Lower Island Senior Badminton B league in April of 2013. After finishing a record seven wins and only one loss over the course of league play this year, they placed second in the playoffs! Of the 14 students who played in league play this year, a total of 33 students came in three times a week at 7:15 am for practice. Players included Madeline Berry, Valeria Betancourt Hernandez, Sam Bohlken-Hern, Elisa Cheng, Emerence de Roissart, James Duncan, Sylvie Galloway, Thomas Horan, Angelina Huang, David Huang, Nancy Huang, Tracy Huynh, Christine Kim, Alex Kong, Yuma Kuga, Spencer Lee, Suphakorn Lertruchtkul, Evin Lin, Jeremy Liu, Krislene Mariano, Annie McLeod, Jamaica Ngo, Michael Norris, Eli Ramraj, Millar Smith, Nolan Smith, Olivia Stupak, Jimmy Tang, Casey Woo, Christy Yu, Julie Yu, Lucy Zhang, and Vivienne Zhang. Thanks to coach Darren Brown!

Outdoor Education

Outdoor Ed programs ramped up in the Spring Term, culminating in the Grade 9 Juan de Fuca Marine Trail Hike for 3 days and the Climbing Trip to the Skaha cliffs. Grade 12s kayaking to Hot Springs Cover with Rick Lidstone were Finley Ballantyne, Eloi Batista, Victoria Martens, Ellie McLeod, Tessa Mitchell, Anders Murray-Hemphill, Tai Orser, Andre Prescott, Alex Stead, Duncan Wallace, Adele DesBrisay, Annika Svorkdal and Lynaea Korol-Filbey. Grade 10s went sea kayaking in the Southern Gulf Islands. Grade 11s who headed to Barkley Sound included Greg Adams, Eleana Block, Camila Estrada Avila, Chloe Freeman, Danielle Thoms, Miranda Ori Oriansino, Colten Hodak, Ilse Loomer-Scott and Cam Hahn. On the Juan de Fuca hike were Annie McLeod, Kaya Oro Martin, Jasmine Lee, Olivia Stupak, Leah Zack, Siobhan Golonka, Kaleeka Pather, Bree McElvaine, Liam Turner, Alex Kong, Mark Barr, Thomas Armenta, Noak Fekete, Noah Ballinger, Albert Yang, Carson Rust, Henry Morrison, Thomas Healey, Ethan Stanger, Iain Betts, Nolan Smith, Andy Yu and Nic Khatri.

Tennis

Coach Jared Martin and Staff Sponsor Julia Davidov were at regular practices at 7am in the morning with Sam Bohlken-Hern, James Duncan, Kirsten Dupuy, Sylvie Galloway, Risa Ishiguro, Jeffery Ko, Yuma Kuga, Spencer Lee, Nicholas Mamic, Ellice Maxwell, Aidan McCallum, Ian Prescott, Renee Rathwell, Armin Tabrizi, Kathy Xu and Lucy Zhang.

Rowing Day 2016

Students had the chance to try out rowing on June 17th.

They were coached by Rene Gonin and their peers.

Mathletes

Congratulations to the team of Alice Xiao, Julie Yu, and Evin Lin. They were the top 3 finishers at GNS in the 2016 Fermat Math contest offered by the University of Waterloo. Their combined score of 400 put GNS in first place in Victoria, 7th place in British Columbia, and 22nd place nationally. Alice was also invited to the annual Lloyd Auckland Invitational Mathematics workshop, to be held from May 29 to June 3, at the University of Waterloo. It is a week of mathematical stimulation for students in grades 10 and 11 from all over Canada and the world. Students are invited based off their performance on the CEMC's Cayley and Fermat contest.

Leap Club/ Green Team

Leaders for Earth week and green initiatives around the school were Annika Svorkdal, Lynaea Korol-Filbey, Adele DesBrisay, Ariel Elman-Walker, Alex Stead, Talia Mitchell, Ellie McLeod, Rachel Sawchuk, and Caleigh Macpherson under the direction of Tess Mitchell and Dylan Reeves.

Concours d'art oratoire

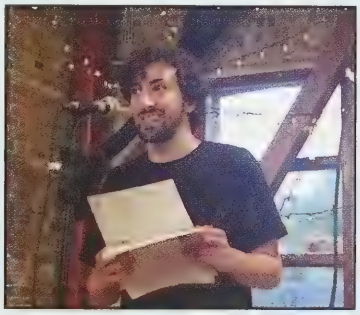
Amad Benga, Leah Stott and Dr. Teale Phelps Bondaroff accompanied our speakers to Simon Fraser University. Nicole Gonin won the Silver Medal for Grade 8/9 French second language, Nolan Smith won the Silver Medal for Grade 9 French Immersion, Arianna Loy won the Bronze Medal for Grade 10 French second language, Laura Schulz won the Bronze Medal for Grade 12 French Immersion and the other team members including Madeleine DesBrisay, Ariel Elman-Walker and Gogo Wen placed in the Top 10 of their category.

RS Conference

Camila Estrada, Nele Koch, Aim Musikachote, Miranda Ori Oriansino and Nghi Vu travelled to Chadwick School in Los Angeles with Sarah McKerlich to the Round Square Regional Conference of the Americas over Spring Break. The theme was Shine Among the Stars and students participated in a variety of conference activities on the campus as well as took part in a Disney Leadership Program.Service activities ranged from meal packing, bicycle building, beach cleaning and teaching disadvantaged children.

Slam Poetry

Over the course of the year, many students were involved in Slam Poetry. They included Victoria Bouchard, Ella Chan, Fallyn Denford, Megan Ewing, Sabrina Jegede, Konnor Klashinsky, Vincent Klashinsky, Krystyna Klimczuk-Massion, Natasha Lloyd-Kruger, Antonia Neatby, Clare Venn Skillman, Carolin Tietz and Tabitha Zammit. At the end of the year, Tab, Ella, Vincent and Konnor represented the school brilliantly at the Victorious Voices competition, placing a close second to Reynolds. Thanks to staff sponsor Clint Lundgren and coach Sam Ferraby!

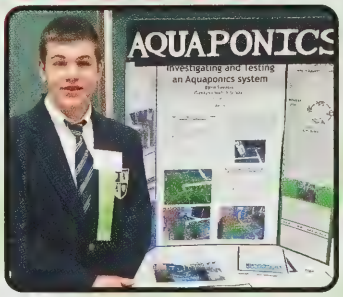


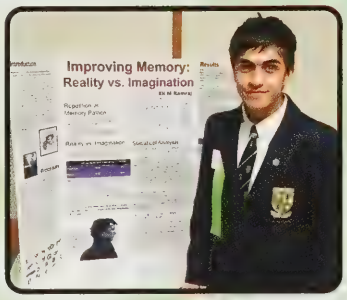
Model UN

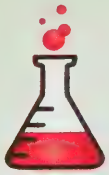
ShawMun took place in Shawnigan and involved a mixed team of MS and SS students. Christy Yu, Shadow Minister of Defence of the Conservatives in the House of Commons, won best paper. Angelina Huang represented Chile, Samantha Patrick represented Japan and Christine Kim represented Korea in the General Assembly. Paul Koo was the UNEP member from Nigeria and Emily Thompson was from Australia. Andrea Egan and Laura Schultz were part of the US Race to Presidency committee.

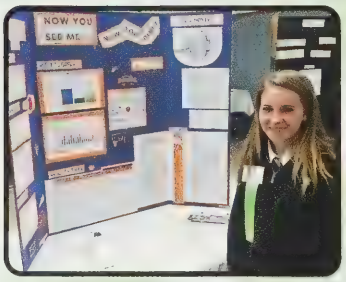
Science Fair

Dex Owen









Lynden Taylor

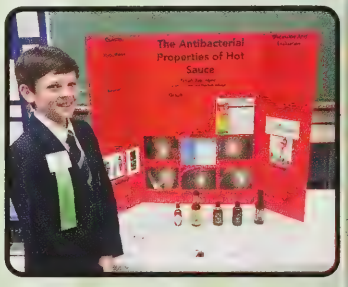
Bjorn Svorkdal
- 4th Overall in Regional Science Fair
- Enkin Award
- University of Victoria Engineering Chairs' Award
- Environment Award
- Bronze medal at Canada Wide Science Fair

Eli Ramraj
- 6th Overall in Regional Science Fair
- PsiChi Award (Psychology)
- University of Victoria Social Science Chairs' Award
- Bronze medal at Canada Wide Science Fair

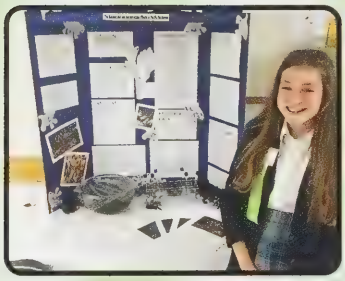
PsiChi Award (Psychology) - **Manon Damant**

Bjorn and Eli at the Canada Wide Science Fair at Montreal with Erin Dallin

Albert Yang -Gordon Patterson Award

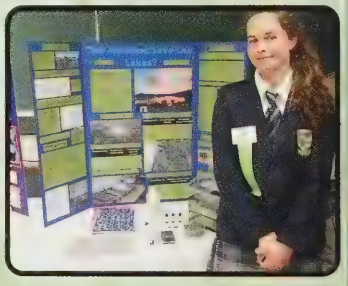


BC Institute of Agrologists Award -
Junior Division, Science Fair Alumni Award - **Noah Ballinger**



- 2nd, Junior Division

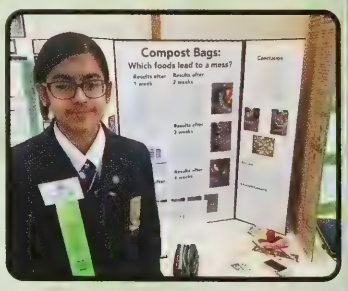
Annie McLeod - Science Fair Alumni Award



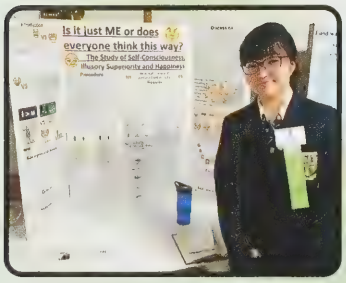
3rd, Junior Division -
BC Naturalists Award -
WE Coates Award -
Association of Professional Engineers & Geoscientists of BC Award -
Junior Division
Rotary Club of Victoria Award- **Nicole Gonin**

- 3rd, Senior Division

Sylvie Galloway & Julie Yu - Division for Women in Science & Engineering Award



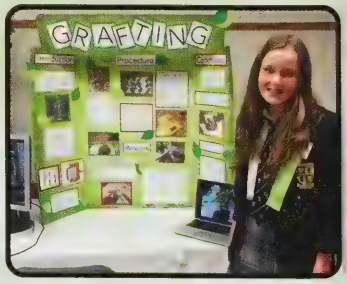
Sraddha Uppili (Grade 6)



Alice Xiao
- 4th, Senior Division
- Harbour Ferry Gift Award

Nathan Kuehne

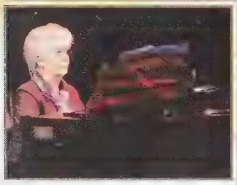
Nathan participated in the Sanoli Biogenius Competition in Vancouver. He won Second Place and the "Centre for Drug Research and Development Commercialization Award

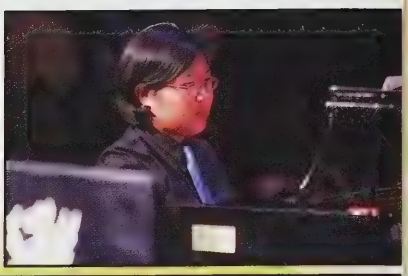


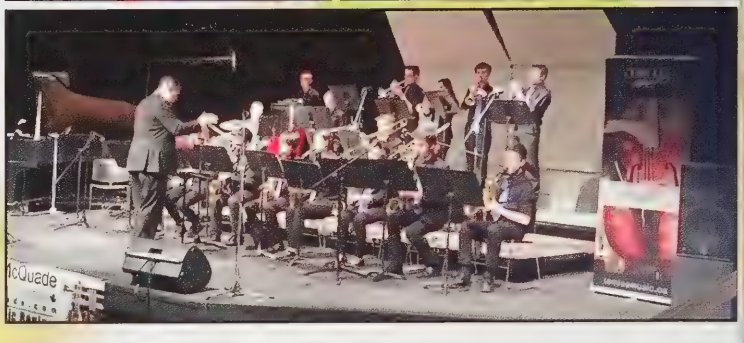
Pearson Education Book Award - **Rebecca Vesey**

Spring Dance

Spring Choir Concert







The Senior Jazz Orchestra also competed at the West Coast Festival in Nanaimo on Tuesday, April 19th, coming home with a GOLD rating.

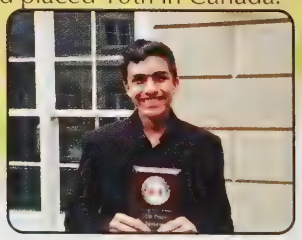
Stompin' at the Savoy Jazz Night

Spring Festival Band Concert

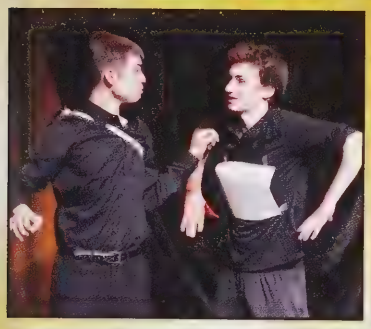
The Senior Concert Band competed at the Vancouver Kiwanis Concert Band Festival in Richmond, BC on Friday, April 22nd, coming home with a GOLD rating and the right to attend the National competition. They performed their pieces for the public at the Spring Festival Band concert at the end of April where the grads were recognized. Later in May, they performed a Pops Concert in the Hall for the Junior School.

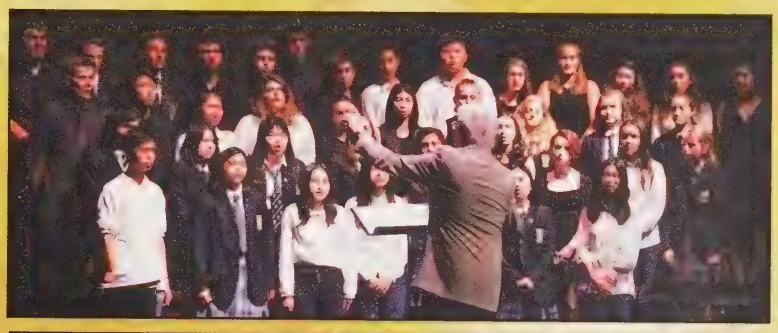
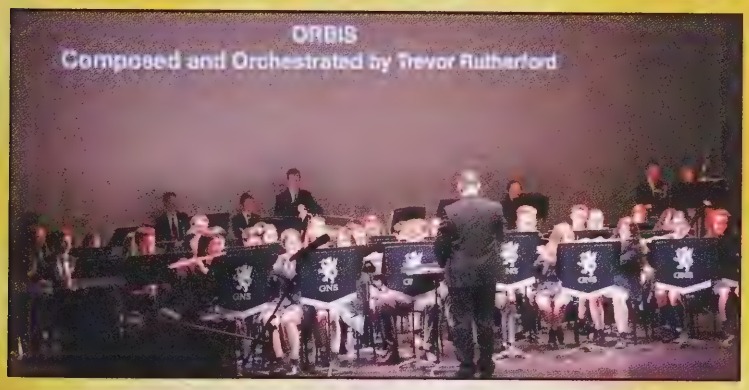
Debate & Mock Trials

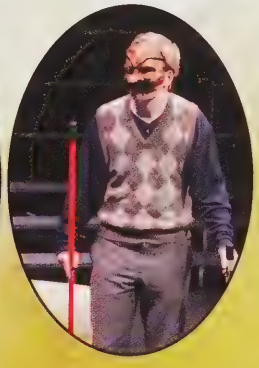
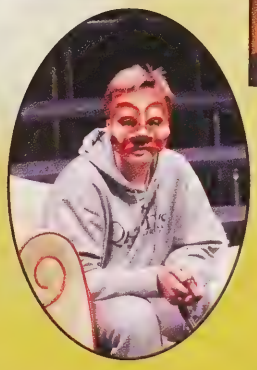
Michael Cooper and David Weaver competed in the National Debating Championships in Saskatoon and placed 5th in the country. Michael won second place speaker. GNS, The Justice Education Society of BC and the Victoria Bar Association hosted the 2016 Provincial High School Mock Trial Competition. The championship team was David Weaver, Megan Thompson, Angus Silver, Eli Ramraj, Alex Kong, Lucy Zhang & Nolan Smith. Making the finals were Aiden Longcroft-Harris, Andrea DeMeo, Marissa Young, Millar Smith, Siobhan Golonka, Natasha Lloyd-Kruger & Olivia Stupak. Eli Ramraj attended the Junior National Debate Championships in Halifax and placed 10th in Canada.

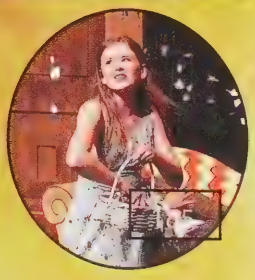


Celebrate the Arts





Hawaii Band Trip

Grade 10 - Thomas Allan, Leonard Auupperle, Ben Djukastein, Heather Ellard-Webster, Drew Jackson, Camden Leith, Michael Norris, Millar Smith, Tak Tanaka, Paige Thompson, and Tori Windle.

Grade 9 - Rachel Dimeo, Sydney Hemphill, Bree McElvaine, Dex Owen, Carson Rust, Emily Thompson, Maia Vasko & Lucy Zhang.

Grade 11 - Jin Bi Kim and Kathy Xu
Grade 12 - Dan Cumberbirch, Nathan Kuehne, Anders Murray-Hemphill, Trevor Rutherford, Hideaki Tanaka, Megan Thompson, Kealy Troje Hoyt, and Vellar Zhou.
Directors and Chaperones - David Martinen, Steve Thompson and Janna Sullivan

Gr.11 IB Group IV

On April 15th the Grade 11 Science students took part in the annual IB Group IV Science Project. The students spent the day at Swan Lake working in groups of three to come up with their own answer to their question. In the evening, the students returned to GNS where they presented the project results to their peers.

Golf

The GNS Golf Team had a wonderful year with coaching from an Olympic view pro, the opportunity for five students to participate in the ISAA Golf Championships in Victoria, and their involvement in the Lower Island City Championships at the Royal Colwood Golf Course. Good Job Alex Wells, Thomas Horan, Andrea DeMeo, Cam Hahn, and Hideaki Tanaka! Thanks to staff sponsor/coach Harv Thorau.

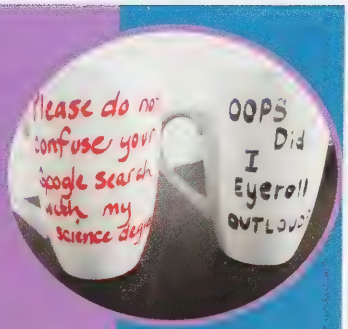
Climbing

The Senior School Climbing program had a wonderful turnout again this term. The team members participated in activities at Craig X, belay training, as well as their club trip to Skaha Provincial Park for four days at the end of June.

Cultural Club

This term, the group learned about Ecuador and did some fundraising for the victims of the recent earthquake. The celebration of Ecuador finished with a great cooking afternoon where students prepared some traditional Latin American dishes and enjoyed some great music. The group also had a year-end potluck picnic to thank Krislene for her enthusiastic leadership and to say goodbye to the departing Grade 12 students. Members included Victoria Bouchard, Clare Chan, Sky Chen, Catalina De Castro, Emerence de Roissart, Carly Egan, Ariel Elman-Walker, Megan Ewing, Anna Harama-Bedard, Michael Higashi, Yovella Hsu, Risa Ishiguro, Christine Kim, Jeffery Ko, Paulina Ko, Nele Koch, Lynaea Korol-Filbey, Tracy Lee, Jeremy Liu, Tony Liu, Janet Mas, Krislene Mariano, Tessa Mitchell, Nicholas Roethel, Parintorn Suwanpraipatana, Annika Svorkdal, Jimmy Tang, Megan Thompson, Carolin Tietz, Sebastien Trinckvel, Runze Wang, Gogo Wen, Diane Woo, Alice Xiao, Christy Yu and Vivienne Zhang. Sponsors were Lucho and Julia Davidov.

Positivity Project



Between baking for unsung heroes, hiding coulde monsters, and plastering lockers with positive comments this year, the club also took on decorating coffee cups with tongue-in-cheek comments for their teachers! Members included: Eleana Block, Pierce Colpman, Corinna Darcie, Kirsten Dupuy, Chloe Freeman, Andrea Herrmann, Lewis Hinton, Sarah Hougen, Sabrina Jegede, Shalini Khanna, Ilse Loomer-Scott, Elice Maxwell, Annie McLeod, Jesse O'Neill-Bains, Andre Prescott, Jessie Rost, Sophia Sainsbury, Amelia Singh, Annika Svorkdal, and Julie Yu.

Photography Club

Photo Club pictures throughout this book were done by this awesome group of students. From a Ms. Ackland expert lecture to many group discussions of composition, colour, light, and camera settings, we got into the theoretical grit of great images. We learned about equipment, scheduling, framing and direction, and editing and delivery through Photo Booths for senior and middle school including Halloween, Valentines, SACino Night, grad events, and school dances. Students took on individual projects to develop their professional portfolios, from headshots for the drama productions to event photography to ride-alongs on real shoots, and explored photography as a community hub by running events like the Portrait Photography Contest for teachers and students. Our springtime downtown outing capped a brilliant, bubbling year as we said goodbye to dedicated 12s and initiated new 9s into the art of moody modelling and depth of field delights! Core members included Andre Prescott, Dex Owen, Kaleeka Pather, Kate Addison, Kate McIntosh, Kathy Xu, Laura Schultz, Sebastien Trinckvel, Sydney Hemphill and Vellar Zhou. Casual members were Francesco Navarro, Gogo Wen, Jamaica Ngo, Jeremy Liu, Kin Jiengphattanakit, Millar Smith, Nolan SMith, Olivia Stupak, Pirada Tisapramotkul, Thomas Healey and Victoria Bouchard.

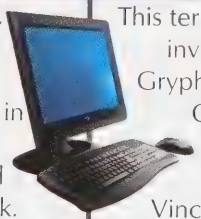
Book Club

The book club met regularly at Murchies. Sponsored by Dr. Jennifer Fraser and organized by Sebastien Trinckvel, members included Victoria Bouchard, Antonia Neatby, Andre Prescott and Vellar Zhou.

Film Club

This was another small club sponsored by Dr. Jennifer Fraser. Members Ella Chan, Trevor Rutherford and Angus Silver worked on a project that will extend into next year.

Yearbook



By the end of the year, the team working with Cheryl Tradewell had dwindled. Still coming in constantly were Editor Megan Thompson and Sub-Editor Eleana Block. Regular help was also provided by Sylvie Galloway, Angelina Huang, Bree McElvaine, Trvor Rutherford, Emily Thompson, Albert Yang and Julie Yu. We hope you enjoy the yearbook!

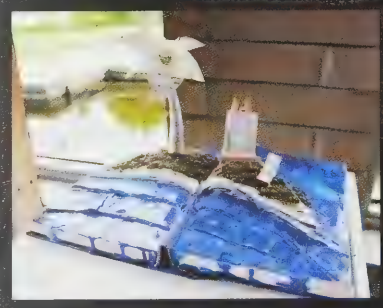
Gryphon

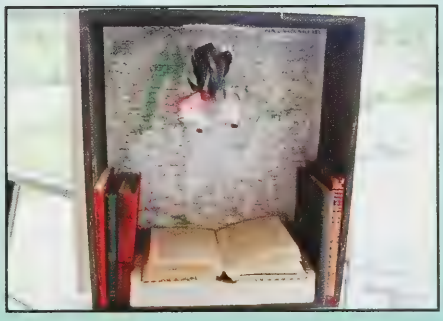
This term many students were involved in producing the Gryphon: Jessa Broeren, Ella Chan, Adele DesBrisay, Madeleine DesBrisay, Ariel Elman-Walker, Vincent Klashinsky, Lynaea Korol-Filbey, Nathan Kuehne, Rory Macklin, Madelynn Marchildon, Ellie McLeod, Tessa Mitchell, Antonia Neatby, Nicholas Roethel , Rachel Sawchuk, Angus Silver, Annika Svorkdal, and Marissa Young.

Explore BC!

The final Explore BC trip was a walk and picnic at China Beach. Thanks to Elspeth Horn and Harvey Thorau for giving us this great opportunity!

Grade Nine Shakespeare Day & SS Art Show





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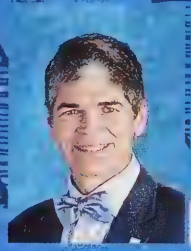
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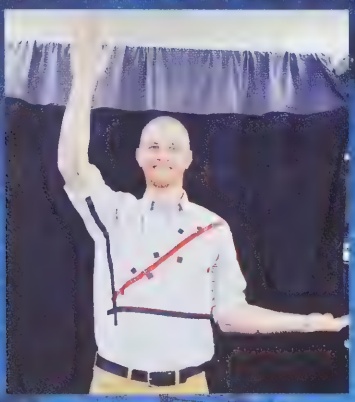

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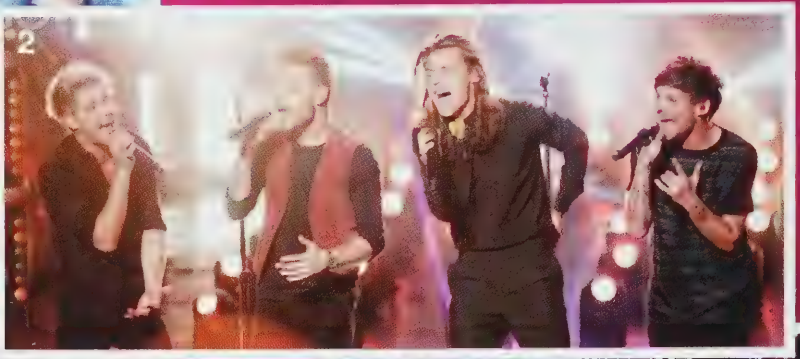

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1. NOT BAD
Taylor Swift's "Bad Blood" video, with an all-star cast of actresses and models, wins the VMA Music Video of the Year award.

2. A DIFFERENT DIRECTION
One Direction releases its sixth album, *Made In The A.M.*, and announces an extended break.

3. TRUE PURPOSE
Justin Bieber releases his fourth studio album, *Purpose*, which impresses even non-Beliebers.

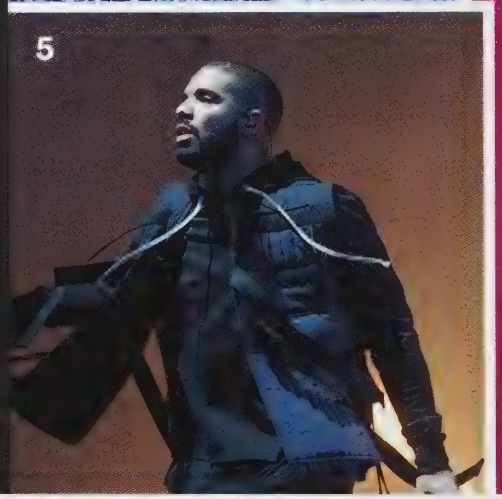
4. FRIENDS IN HIGH PLACES
The Weeknd's *Beauty Behind the Madness* album features duets with Ed Sheeran and Lana Del Rey.

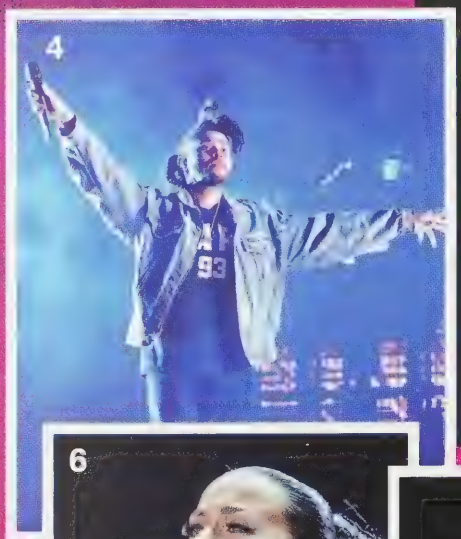
5. NOT TOO LATE
Drake delights fans and critics with his acclaimed album *If You're Reading This It's Too Late.*

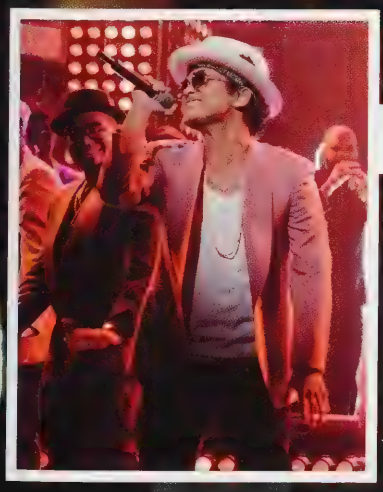
6. WOMEN ON TOP
Katy Perry and Taylor Swift top the Forbes list of top-earning women in music.

7. CRUSHED IT
Little Big Town's "Girl Crush" wins Single of the Year and Song of the Year at the Country Music Awards.

8. WISTFUL HELLO
Adele releases "Hello," the first hit single from her much-awaited album *25.*







TOP SONGS OF 2015

1. *Uptown Funk!* – Mark Ronson featuring Bruno Mars
2. *Thinking Out Loud* – Ed Sheeran
3. *See You Again* – Wiz Khalifa featuring Charlie Puth
4. *Trap Queen* – Fetty Wap
5. *Sugar* – Maroon 5
6. *Shut Up And Dance* – Walk the Moon
7. *Blank Space* – Taylor Swift
8. *Watch Me* – Silento
9. *Earned It* – The Weeknd
10. *The Hills* – The Weeknd

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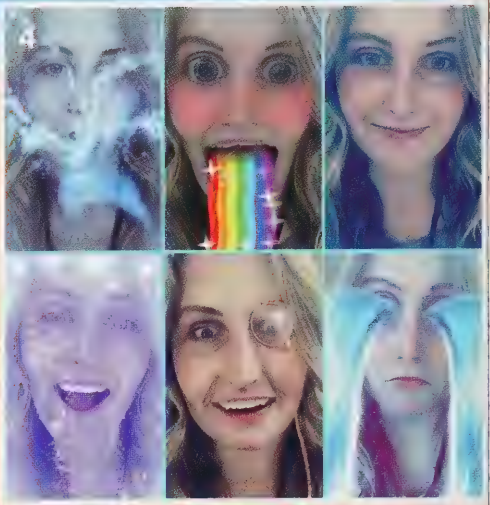


SOCIAL MEDIA

1. MINECRAFT

Minecraft: Pocket Edition, enabling users to build their own imaginative worlds, comes in on top for most downloaded game app.

2. LIFE IS A STREAM

Users broadcast their videos in real time with Periscope, the popular new live streaming app. Apple names it the iPhone® app of the year.

3. BOY BAND BEEF

One Direction fans are even more heartbroken when Zayn Malik launches a Twitter feud with his former band mates.

4. SELFIES 2.0

Snapchat launches Lenses, a suite of zany, animated special effects you can layer over your face.

5. CASH FOR CLANS

The small cost for exponentially increasing your ability to defend and combat opposing bases wins out over the wallet in the mobile app game, Clash of Clans. This top grossing app raked in an incredible $1.56 million per day from users dolling out real cash to develop virtual troops.

6. SILENT PROTEST

Taylor Swift refuses to put her *1989* album on Spotify and removes her older releases from the streaming service.

7. SNAPCHAT SURGES

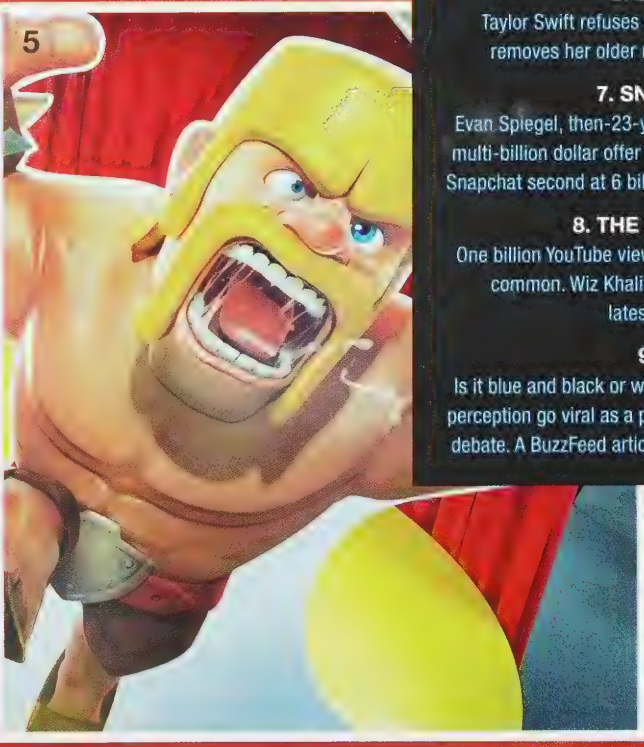
Evan Spiegel, then-23-year-old CEO of Snapchat, turned down a multi-billion dollar offer from Facebook. Now, usage reports hoist Snapchat second at 6 billion views per day to Facebook's 8 billion.

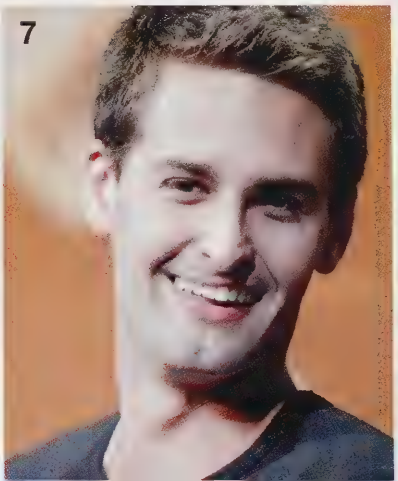
8. THE BILLION VIEW CLUB

One billion YouTube views, once rare, are becoming increasingly common. Wiz Khalifa's "See You Again" is the tenth and latest member of the club.

9. #THEDRESS

Is it blue and black or white and gold? Variations in human colour perception go viral as a photo of a dress on Tumblr prompts heated debate. A BuzzFeed article about the dress attracts 37 million hits.





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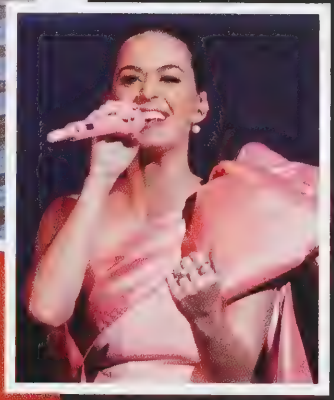

Katy Perry is the most-followed celebrity on Twitter.

1. Katy Perry
2. Justin Bieber
3. Taylor Swift
4. Barack Obama
5. YouTube
6. Rihanna
7. Lady Gaga
8. Justin Timberlake
9. Ellen DeGeneres
10. Twitter

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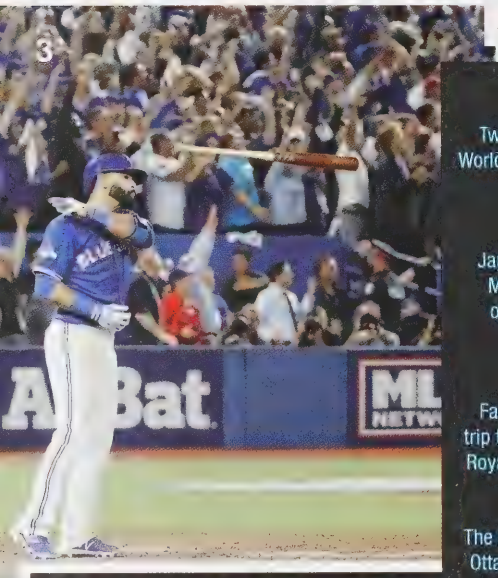


1. CANADA HOSTS WOMEN'S WORLD CUP
Twenty-four teams gather to compete in the biggest FIFA Women's World Cup in history; in the finals at BC Place Stadium in Vancouver, the United States defeats Japan 5 – 2.

2. LITTLE LEAGUE, BIG WIN
Japan wins 2015 Little League Baseball World Series by defeating Mid-Atlantic in an astounding six innings. Shingo Tomita hit two opportune homers in the second and third innings that boosted his team toward their 18-11 run win.

3. BLUE JAYS SOAR
Fans' hopes take flight when the Toronto Blue Jays earn their first trip to the playoffs since 1993; they are eliminated by the Kansas City Royals after six games in the American League Championship series.

4. EDMONTON'S 14TH GREY CUP WIN
The Edmonton Eskimos come back from a 13-point deficit to defeat the Ottawa Redblacks 26 – 20 for their first Grey Cup Championship in 10 years. Edmonton quarterback Mike Reilly is named MVP.

5. UFC UPSET
The #RouseyRevolution of MMA superstar Ronda Rousey takes an unexpected detour with a knockout from Holly Holm.

6. SERENA THE GREAT
After winning 3 of 4 Grand Slam tournaments in 2015, Serena Williams was named as the Associated Press Female Athlete of the Year for the fourth time.

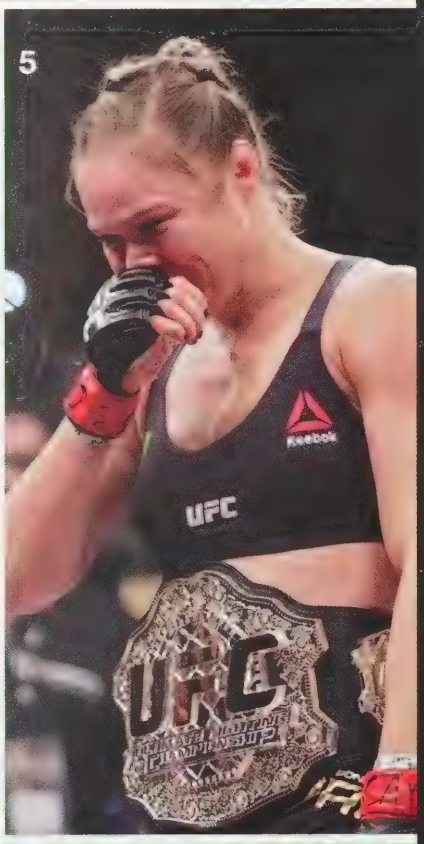
7. SUPER SHOWDOWN
Football fans sat captivated as the Denver Broncos defeated the Carolina Panthers 24 to 10 in the NFL Championship game at Levi's Stadium in San Francisco.

8. WARRIORS WIN
The Golden State Warriors end their 40-year championship drought by defeating the Cleveland Cavaliers to win the NBA Championship.

9. THE CUP COMES BACK
The Chicago Blackhawks defeat the Tampa Bay Lightning to win their sixth Stanley Cup Championship.

10. ROYALS REIGN
Kansas City fans go wild when the Royals defeat the New York Mets four games to one to win the MLB World Series.

11. HISTORIC SUCCESS IN PAN AM GAMES
Canadian athletes bring home 217 medals from the Pan American Games in Toronto; 19-year-old basketball player Kia Nurse is chosen to carry Canada's flag in the closing ceremonies.



TOP 5

HIGHEST PAID ATHLETES OF 2015

1. Floyd Mayweather, Jr.
2. Manny Pacquiao
3. Cristiano Ronaldo
4. Lionel Messi
5. Roger Federer

http://www.cheatsheet.com/sports/the-7-highest-paid-athletes-in-2015.html/?a=viewall

MOVIES

1. BEYOND THE WALL
Shailene Woodley returns as Tris Prior in the film adaptation of *The Divergent Series: Insurgent*.

2. A MONSTER HIT
Chris Pratt and Bryce Dallas Howard star in *Jurassic World*, the fourth movie in the Jurassic Park film series.

3. PRIDE AND JOY
The biopic *Joy* wins a Golden Globe, and so does Jennifer Lawrence for her portrayal of a divorced mom turned millionaire entrepreneur.

4. THE LIBERATION OF PANEM
Katniss Everdeen and her allies return to theatres for their final mission in *The Hunger Games: Mockingjay – Part 2*.

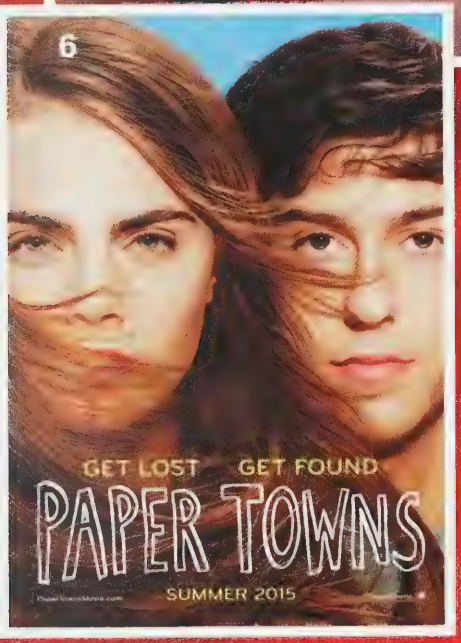
5. WINS IN THE WILDERNESS
With scenes filmed partially in Alberta & British Columbia, *The Revenant*, a dark frontier drama starring Leonardo DiCaprio, wins numerous awards.

6. LOST AND FOUND
When Margo goes missing, Quentin skips school to find her in *Paper Towns*, the film adaptation of John Green's young adult novel.

7. THE BREAKING POINT
Adventurers attempt to complete eight extreme ordeals in *Point Break*; the drama fails to win over critics but performs well at the box office.

8. *INSIDE OUT*
Riley's emotions are personified in the newest Disney Pixar box office hit. Joy, Fear, Anger, Disgust and Sadness guide Riley through adjusting to her new life in San Francisco.

9. *STAR WARS: THE FORCE AWAKENS*
The new Star Wars film topped *Avatar* to claim the all-time No. 1 spot in North American box offices.



TOP 10

AT THE BOX OFFICE IN 2015

http://www.boxofficemojo.com/yearly/chart/?yr=2015

1. *Star Wars: The Force Awakens*
2. *Jurassic World*
3. *Avengers: Age of Ultron*
4. *Inside Out*
5. *Furious 7*
6. *Minions*
7. *The Hunger Games – Part 2*
8. *The Martian*
9. *Cinderella* (2015)
10. *Spectre* (James Bond)

POP CULTURE

1. 3D PRINTING EVOLVES
Demand for 3D printers climbs as the technology advances to accommodate metals, electronics, pharmaceuticals and biological materials.

2. BLOGGERS MAKE BANK
The most successful fashion and beauty bloggers and vloggers on Instagram can make up to $500,000 per year by offering affiliate links and sponsored content.

3. CAITLYN'S COURAGE
Newly transitioned transgender celebrity Caitlyn Jenner accepts the Arthur Ashe Courage Award at the ESPY Awards.

4. MOST LIKED INSTAGRAM EVER
With more than 2.5 million likes, the image of model and reality TV star Kendall Jenner, with her hair arranged in heart shapes, is the most-liked Instagram photo ever.

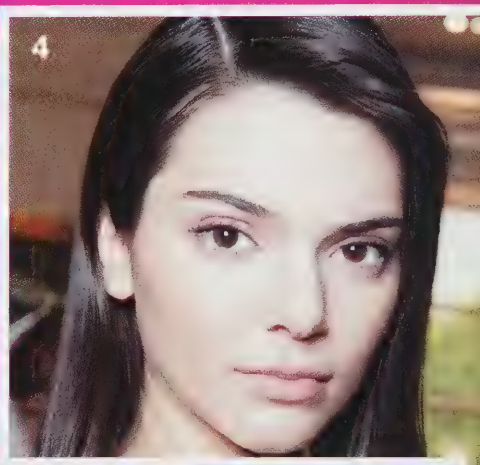
5. HEALTHY BUSINESS MODEL
With juice bar sales approaching $100 million a year, the cold-pressed juicing cleanse trend continues as busy, health-conscious consumers seek a shortcut to wellness.

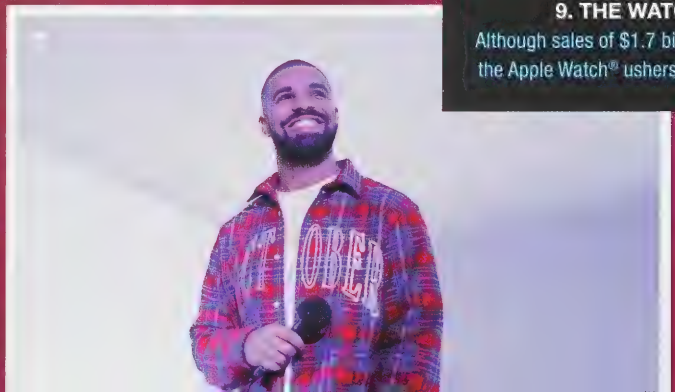
6. THE WORLD'S MOST POWERFUL WOMAN
Time magazine names Germany's Chancellor Angela Merkel its Person of the Year and describes her as "Chancellor of the Free World."

7. DANCING DRAKE
Multiple memes, gifs, and Vine videos mock Drake's goofy "Hotline Bling" dance moves; all the social media trolling helps the song climb to No. 2 on the Billboard Hot 100.

8. WASTE NOT
A Manhattan chef creates fine dining from "garbage" ingredients to demonstrate how to prevent food waste.

9. THE WATCHWORLD IS WEARABLE
Although sales of $1.7 billion are modest compared to the iPhone®, the Apple Watch® ushers wearable tech into the consumer market.





TOP 10 GOOGLE SEARCHES OF 2015

1. Paris Under Attack
2. Blue Jays Reach Playoffs
3. Star Wars
4. Canada Votes
5. Women's World Cup
6. The Longest Reigning Queen
7. Nepal Earthquake
8. The Dress
9. FIFA in Crisis
10. Greece on the Brink

https://www.google.com/trends/story/2015_CA

HEADLINES

1. SYRIAN CRISIS
Canada commits to resettling 25,000 displaced Syrians as continuing civil war results in more than 11 million refugees; the conflict claims more than 250,000 lives.

2. GREEK DEBT CRISIS CONTINUES
Despite austerity measures and economic reforms, Greece requires a third bailout, causing social unrest as citizens protest higher taxes on farmers and changes to the nation's pension program.

3. TERRORISTS ATTACK PARIS
ISIS terrorists launch coordinated attacks targeting a soccer stadium, a rock concert and several restaurants in the French capital; 130 people perish.

4. LONG LIVE THE QUEEN
At age 89, after 63 years and 216 days on the throne, Queen Elizabeth II surpasses Queen Victoria as the longest-reigning British monarch in 1,000 years of history.

5. CANDIDATE TRUMP
Billionaire real estate developer and TV personality Donald Trump is an early frontrunner in the race to be the GOP nominee for the 2016 US presidential election.

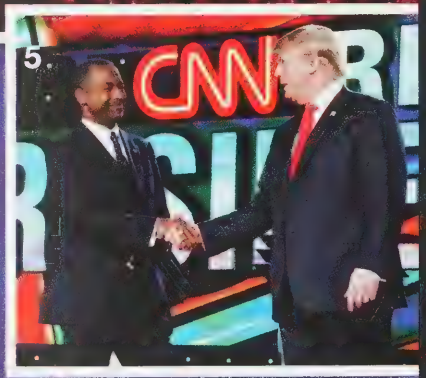
6. APPLE ADVANCES
The new iPhone® 6s features more durable aluminum construction, a rose gold colour option, 3D Touch access to apps and a 12MP camera.

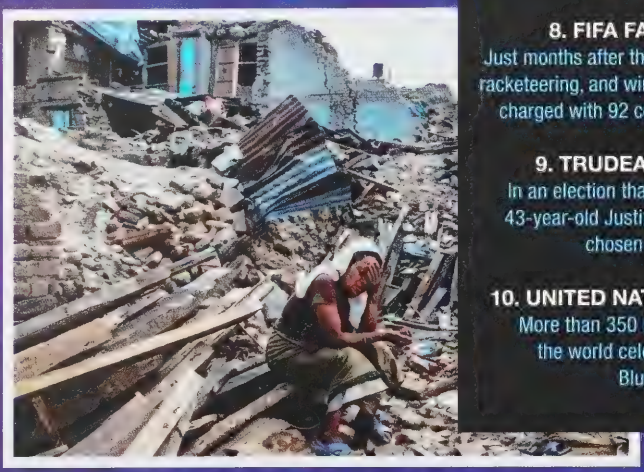
7. NEPAL EARTHQUAKE
A magnitude 7.8 earthquake in Nepal rocks villages, damages structures and kills at least 5,000.

8. FIFA FALTERS AS SCANDALS EMERGE
Just months after the indictment of 14 officials for money laundering, racketeering, and wire fraud, 16 more FIFA officials and associates are charged with 92 counts of embezzlement, bribery, and kickbacks.

9. TRUDEAU LEADS LIBERALS TO VICTORY
In an election that delivers a new majority for the Liberal Party, 43-year-old Justin Trudeau, son of former PM Pierre Trudeau, is chosen as the nation's 23rd Prime Minister.

10. UNITED NATIONS OBSERVE 70TH ANNIVERSARY
More than 350 landmarks in more than 80 countries around the world celebrate with brilliant displays of blue lights. Blue is the official colour of the UN.





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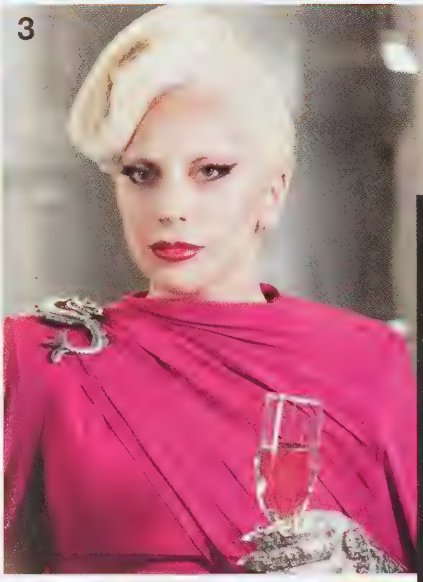
MOST POWERFUL PEOPLE

ACCORDING TO FORBES IN 2015

http://www.forbes.com/powerful-people/list/#tab:overall

1. Vladimir Putin, 63
2. Angela Merkel, 61
3. Barack Obama, 54
4. Pope Francis, 79
5. Xi Jingping, 62
6. Bill Gates, 60
7. Janet Yellen, 69
8. David Cameron, 49
9. Narendra Modi, 65
10. Larry Page, 42



TV/GAMING

1. *SCREAM QUEENS*
A serial killer called the Red Devil menaces the sorority sisters of Kappa Kappa Tau in the debut season of the Fox network's horror comedy.

2. *PRETTY LITTLE LIARS*
The Liars escape the dollhouse and secret identities are revealed in Season 6 of the ABC Family network drama.

3. *AMERICAN HORROR STORY: HOTEL*
Lady Gaga stars as The Countess in Season 5 of the horror series, set in a haunted Los Angeles hotel.

4. *ORANGE IS THE NEW BLACK*
Netflix commits to a fourth season of the binge-worthy drama series, set in a women's prison.

5. *AMERICA'S NEXT TOP MODEL: GUYS & GIRLS*
The judges choose Nyle DiMarco and Mamé Adjei as winners in Cycle 22 of the final season of the CW reality show.

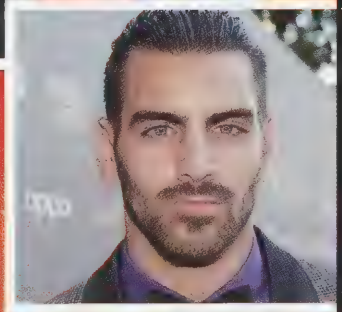
6. TOP-RANKED YOUTUBE GAMERS
With more than 10 billion video views, Swedish gamer PewDiePie tops the leaderboard of most popular YouTube channels.

7. NEW GAME, NEW STAR
Rory McIlroy succeeds Tiger Woods as the new face of EA Sports' PGA Tour golf game.

8. eSPORTS ARE BRINGING IN BILLIONS
With larger audiences and bigger prize pools, eGaming tournaments rival traditional sports events.

9. CANADIAN TV VIEWERS CUT THE CORD
Online streaming services such as Crackle, CraveTV, Netflix, and Shomi grow in popularity; traditional cable providers worry as cost-conscious subscribers cancel.

10. CALL OF DUTY: BLACK OPS III
The first-person shooter is set in the year 2065 and features zombie storylines, robotic drones and a team of soldiers with cybernetic enhancements.



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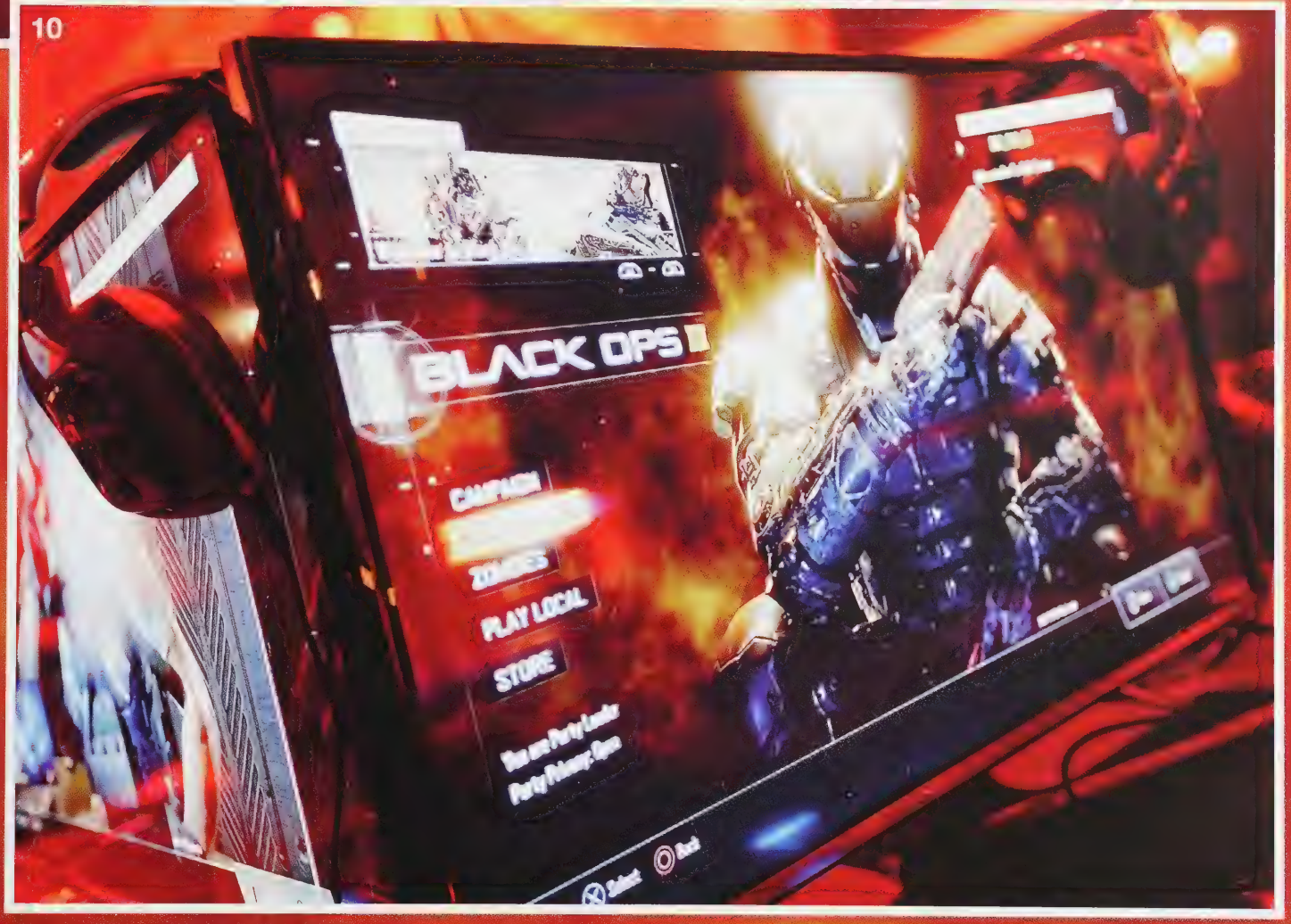
BLACK OPS
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BRANDS

1. LEGO IS LIFE

Life Lego was named Forbes Most Powerful Brand of 2015 after debuting their new *Lego Marvel's Avengers* and *Lego Jurassic World* toys.

TOP 10

MOST VALUABLE BRANDS IN 2015

1. Apple, $145.3 billion
2. Microsoft, $69.3 billion
3. Google, $65.6 billion
4. Coca-Cola, $56 billion
5. IBM, $49.8 billion
6. McDonald's, $39.5 billion
7. Samsung, $37.9 billion
8. Toyota, $37.8 billion
9. General Electric (GE), $37.5 billion
10. Facebook, $36.5 billion

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HOW TEENS SPEND MONEY

http://www.businessinsider.com/how-teens-are-spending-money-2015-4

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